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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—THE SEVEN DAY BATTLE IN THE DIRECTION OF MURMANSK ENDED TO-DAY WITH THE COMPLETE COLLAPSE OF THE SECOND GERMAN OFFENSIVE, ACCORDING TO A DISPATCH TO THE NEWSPAPER "RED STAR." IN ONE SECTOR THE ENEMY DEAD NUMBERED 2,000. THE DISPATCH ADDED, "THE STUBBORN RESISTANCE OF OUR TROOPS AND THEIR CRUSHING COUNTER-ATTACKS; THE SEVERE LOSSES AND THE COLD WHICH IS SETTING IN IN THE NORTH ARE DRIVING THE FASCISTS TO DESPAIR."

The offensive was launched early in September with picked German troops who were transferred from Norway, consisting of S.S. battalions and several Alpine regiments who were ordered to take the vital ice-free port at any cost.

The Russian counter-attack halted the advance and compelled the Germans to take up defensive positions.

A telephone dispatch from Leningrad reported to-day that the Russians trapped a panzer column which surrendered after a short battle in which one German General was killed, 117 officers and men captured, and 20 damaged and 16 undamaged tanks taken which will now be used by the Red army.

BITTER FIGHTING REPORTED

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Activity on the Odessa front has again increased. Bitter fighting is going on in the neighbourhood of Kherson for a point called "N" which Soviet troops hold.

The enemy has flung in more reserves but the Soviet forces have thrown back the Germans after a bloody struggle in which 1,500 enemy corpses were left piled up in tank traps.

Terrific Battle For Leningrad

Russian and German Reports

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The terrific struggle for Leningrad and the ebb and flow of the opposing armies was described to-day in both Berlin and Moscow broadcasts.

The Germans, in claiming the capture of a "fair-sized" town, refer to hard house-to-house fighting before the city and the "tenacious resistance" of the city's defenders.

The capture of further sections of Leningrad's defences figures in the German claims which speak of the taking of strong Soviet field positions and putting out of action a number of Soviet pill-boxes with heavy losses for the enemy.

Germans Dislodged

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Red army on the central front to-day dislodged the Germans from a fortified base on the east bank of the Western Dvina River, and during the course of a four-day battle decimated two regiments and killed 2,500 men, according to a dispatch to the "Red Star."

At "Point N" Soviet troops hold well-prepared defensive positions. The enemy, without sparing men, launched one attack after another and once pierced the Soviet first line defences. The Soviet Command threw in reserves and forced the Germans out.

News published in the "Red Star" throws down the German claim to have already reached Perekop on the Isthmus and to have isolated the Crimea. The "Red Star" does not state exactly how far from Kherson the battle is in progress. Kherson itself stands on the high right bank of the Dnieper 20 miles from the mouth and is one of the largest cities on the Dnieper. The region may be called the orchard of the Ukraine, producing the finest grapes and peaches.

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It is said that the Japanese troops who are joining in the present attack are those which moved on Changsha 100,000 strong. The land troops are assisted by heavy artillery and tanks as well as naval landing forces who are trying to storm Changsha from the north by land and from the northwest across Tungting Lake.

Thus far, the Japanese troops are still 50 miles north of Changsha which has been a scorched earth city since 1938 and which, according to Chinese military authorities, completely lacks any military value.

Heavy losses are claimed by the "Red Star" to have been inflicted on TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Nazis Hope To Cut Off Budenny

WAR COMMENTARY BY "ANNALIST"

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Germans to-day announced that the complete elimination of the encircled Russian forces can be reckoned with "in a few days."

This tells a somewhat different story from their earlier claims to have surrounded Soviet troops who are disintegrating and being abandoned by their officers.

It confirms the views already expressed that the Germans are making a desperate effort to cut off the rearguards of Marshal Budenny's forces and that the latter are fighting with the same indomitable spirit that characterised Russian soldiers throughout the last three months.

Indeed, unofficial reports from Moscow of counter-attacks at Glukhov and Poltava, which are reported to have met with local success, show that Russian morale is not weakening.

Malsky's Estimate

Both at Leningrad and Odessa, the assailants have not been able to make any progress despite repeated attacks with heavy forces. German losses in these intensive operations must undoubtedly have been heavy and there are, therefore, good grounds for believing that the estimate of Malsky of German losses as somewhere in the neighbourhood of three million is not excessive.

The recent German claim of heavy air raids and oil successes over Britain are to certain knowledge without foundation and prove that German propaganda is being compelled once again to have to recuse to downplay to give the German people a little encouragement and confidence.

Fair Warning to Finns Is Given by Britain

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Reports that Britain had told Finland that if she continued to invade purely Russian territory it would be necessary for Britain to treat Finland as an open enemy now and when peace had come were confirmed in London to-day.

It was added that if Finland ceased fighting and withdrew her troops to her original frontiers as they existed before the Russo-Finnish war, Britain would be ready to see whether relations between the two countries could be improved.

The suggestion of M. Turner, the Finnish Minister of Commerce, that the Finnish war against Russia could be separated from the war as a whole is not regarded as a possibility in authoritative circles in London.

Disappearance Mystery Of British Attache's Wife

Special to the "Telegraph"

PEIPING, Sept. 24 (UP).—Mystery continued to surround the disappearance of the beautiful and popular Japanese-born Aiko, wife of Mr. Benzel H. Clark, Press Attaché of the British Embassy. She has been missing since she left a lady friend's house last Saturday. Her husband and the British Embassy are making every possible effort to find her and have also appealed to the Japanese authorities; however, thus far they have not been able to obtain the slightest clue.

The British Consul, Mr. A. A. L. Tuson told the "United Press" that he is convinced that Mrs. Clark has been kidnapped, and he believes that her disappearance is closely linked with an extremely libellous article, published in the Japanese daily newspaper "Tao Shimpō" on September 12 in which Mrs. Clark was severely criticised for behaving in a manner causing pain to patriotic Japanese. The article also made other fantastic allegations. The British Embassy requested the Japanese newspaper to publish a retraction but have so far failed to obtain satisfaction.

Inflation Danger In America Stressed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (UP).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, testifying to-day before the House Banking Committee urged Congressional approval of a bill designed to control price levels. He said that "bold and effective action" is necessary for the purpose of halting the quickening trend towards inflation.

He urged that the Administration's bill be amended for the purpose of including farm prices but opposed the fixing of maximum wage levels. He also urged the release of Government-owned stocks of farm goods for the purpose of preventing a dangerous rise in prices.

Mr. Morgenthau stated: "Whole sale prices for farm products have risen 37 per cent during the past year of which six per cent occurred within the last month. All commodities have risen 18 per cent during the last year—foods are up 25 per cent; textiles 23 per cent; building materials 12 per cent and chemicals 14 per cent."

Bulgaria Denies Bellicosity

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—All is quiet in Bulgaria, declared the Bulgarian Minister of the Interior, M. Grabowski, addressing foreign journalists in Sofia to-day, states a Sofia dispatch to the official German news agency.

The Minister stressed that as a partner in the Three-Power Pact, Bulgaria stood on the side of the Axis Powers politically and ideologically.

He denied American reports that in the near future Bulgaria would enter the war against the Soviet Union, establish a protectorate in the Crimea, control the Black Sea and participate in the exploitation of the Caucasian oil wells.

Bulgaria, he added, had no aggressive intentions against anyone and was not being pressed from any quarter.

Refinery In Flames

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WHITING, Ind., Sept. 24 (UP).—Fire is raging in the 700 acre refinery of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana and flames are shooting 100 feet into the air.

The fire broke out in two tanks this morning and the intense heat prevents the approach of the fire fighters to within several hundred feet.

One Man Killed

WHITING, Indiana, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—All available firemen and police were rushed to the scene after an explosion and fire occurred in the Standard Oil Company factory here.

One man has been reported killed and several injured.

The fire spread to a dozen oil storage tanks in a region almost a mile long. Concern was expressed over the possibility that an "agitator" which is the storage place for highly volatile fuels, may explode.

The flames were visible for miles before they were brought under control.

Neutrality Act May Soon Be Amended

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It was strongly indicated in the Capitol to-day that President Roosevelt will request the virtual repeal of the Neutrality Act next week. It is reported from the Capitol that Administration officials were thus urging the President and recommending also the elimination of provisions preventing United States ships from entering belligerent ports or "combat areas."

Predicting that the Neutrality Act will be amended in important respects, Senator Connally said that it might be completely repealed except that it carries some desirable provisions such as Government control over munitions exports.

Australian Government Survives

Censure Motion Defeated

CANBERRA, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—In the Australian Parliament to-day, Mr. John Curtin, the Labour Leader, moved an amendment which amounted to a vote of censure on the Government.

His amendment displayed disapproval of what he alleged was the use of Government funds, amounting to over £3,000, for bribing Union officials.

After Mr. Curtin had moved his amendment, Mr. W. M. Hughes, the Attorney-General and Navy Minister, flatly denied the allegations that the Government had used the funds for bribing Union officials.

The total expenditure for 20 months for such funds was £4,800 and this had been used to counter subversive activities and propaganda.

Mr. Curtin's motion of censure was defeated by 32 votes to 31.

Death Abroad Of Chinese Envoy Buried at Geneva

GENEVA, Sept. 24 (Central News).—The funeral was held here on Monday of the late Chinese Minister to Poland, Dr. Wang King-ki, who died of cancer last month.

Madame Wang, her son and daughter and leaders of the Chinese community here, including the Chinese Minister to Switzerland, Dr. Victor Hoo Shih-tsai, the Chinese Judge in the International Court of Justice, Dr. F. T. Cheng, and General Wei Yung-ching, who until recently was Military Attaché to Berlin, participated in the ceremony.

The late Minister left Warsaw during the German-Polish war in 1939, travelling by way of Germany, Belgium and France. He was wounded en route during an air raid. It is learned that Madame Wang and her family are shortly leaving for China via the United States.

LATEST

Japanese Move Against Siberia is Forecast

Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, Sept. 24 (UP).—The newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" to-day predicted that with the loss of Klev, the Japanese will be launching an offensive against Siberia very soon.

The reasons for the winter campaign on the northern mainland include the fact that the freezing of all rivers in Manchuria permit Japanese cavalry and artillery to move freely.

The establishment of General Yamada's hordes completes the preparations for a push north and the recent protest regarding the Soviet mines and the sinking of Japanese fishing boats provides the excuse to a large Japanese force.

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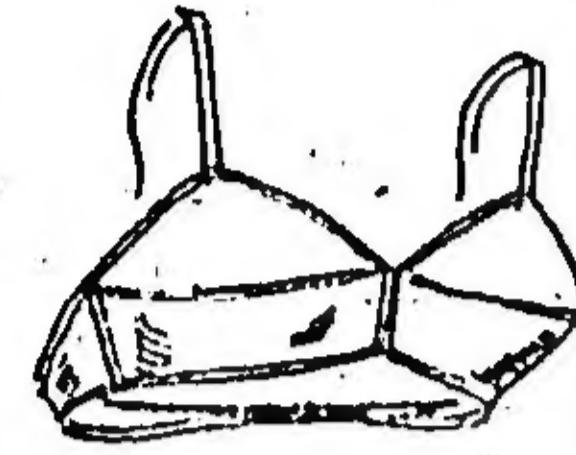
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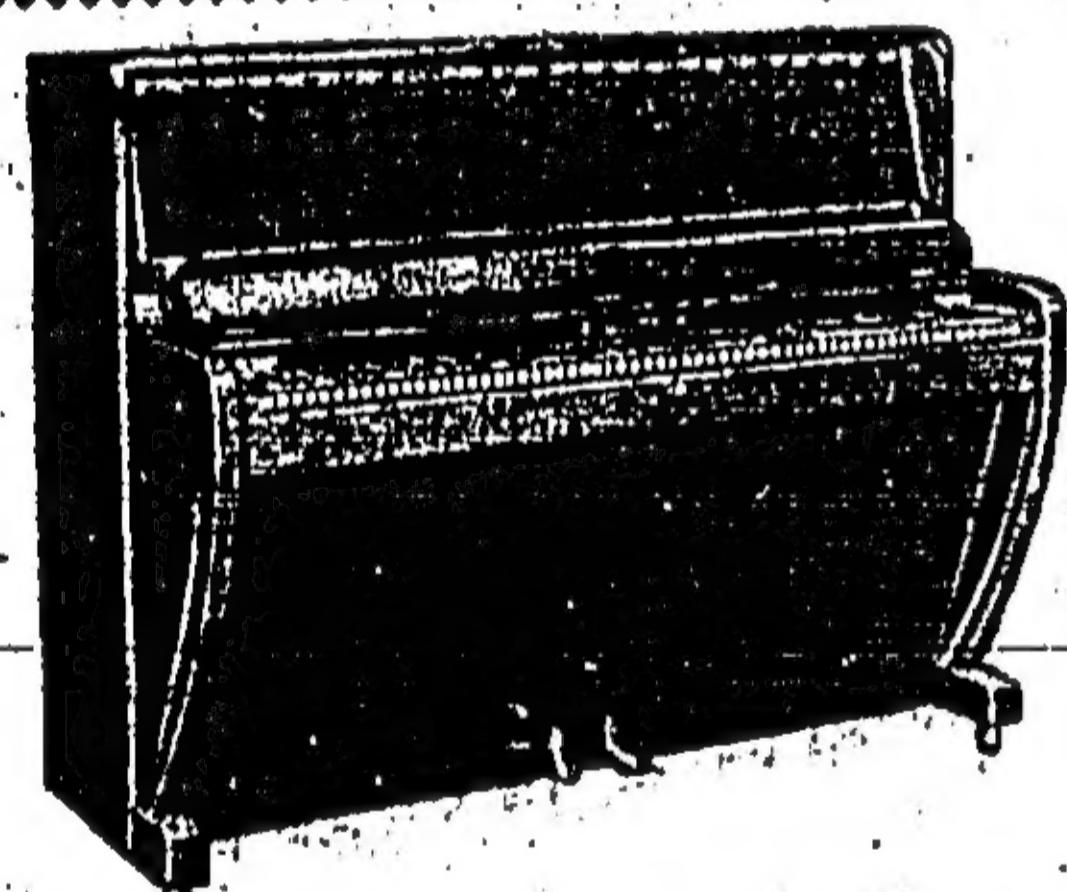
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GENTLE REMINDER

LETTERS from Home, the regular calling up of women and men of advanced ages, pictures like "The Ramparts we Watch," the daily newspaper reports each telling of so many persons who have given their lives for a Cause: these must spasmodically give the Hongkong conscience a painful twinge. Isolated as we are, literally an outpost of Empire, Hongkong has so far escaped all but the minor nuisances of warfare. The war that is ravaging China has left our borders intact; the war that Britain is waging for life and death has not tapped our man-power or depleted our tables. We pay a little more and we get what we have always had: the best that the Far East can offer. Volunteers chasing under a monotonous routine have not the satisfaction of knowing that we are actively defending a vital link in the Empire chain: ours is but a listening post, a profitable door that must be kept open so long as it pays, a prestige port, a nerve that will warn the huge body of the approach of danger.

Hongkong people have read with something like amazement of elderly parents out on fire-spotting duty all night or giving manual service to defence works. The contrast is often painful. It makes our own grievances seem rather small.

Secluded as we thus are from actual hostilities we can yet throw ourselves more heartedly into our mission here: keeping ourselves as strong as we can to throw a big stumbling block into the path of any aggressor; contributing as lavishly as possible to the war, and cultivating the goodwill of China. But it must be conceded that our ways are largely ordered by the Government. Hongkong must be kept a going concern and our job is to obey orders.

Meanwhile "Ramparts we Watch" touched more emotions than pockets; the Bomber Fund has been sluggish lately. It does not seem that Hongkong is fully showing its gratitude for being left in peace by giving generously to those who are fighting our war, both Chinese and Europeans. It would not be inopportune to repeat what was previously advocated: Give till it hurts.

How The Soviet Press Works

By JOHN SCOTT

ALMOST 9,000 newspapers tracting the attention of the world outside the Soviet very simply. A Tass dispatch Union daily. Their total date-lined Stockholm, and often circulation in 1939 was 47,000,000. It is published through 920,000. This vast propaganda outlet of the Soviet Press. It quotes from the Press Bureau of the Portuguese newspaper, to effect the Central Committee of the British circles in Madrid Communist Party, and is monolithically official in its treatment that Tass naturally does not send such dispatches to its foreign clients, and any Moscow correspondent who tries to report it gets called down (as I have been myself on occasion), even if the piece is passed by the Soviet censor.

But those of the Soviet public who are in the least interested in what Spain is going to do, and there are many such, understand very well. They skip the date line, and the first paragraph. "There it is in the papers," they say, "Franco can be expected to do this and that after all." Perfectly clear. Anything in the Soviet papers is a Soviet comment.

The most important Soviet newspapers are: "Pravda," organ of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, circulation something over two million daily; "Izvestia," organ of the Supreme Soviet, circulation 1,600,000; "Trud," organ of the Central Council of the Trade Unions, circulation about half a million. In addition to its many newspapers, the Soviet Press and in Britain. It paints a very propaganda machine publishes a gruelling picture. All efforts are made to let the Soviet public know how very badly off other people are, and to drum into the Soviet man-in-the-street that he is the happiest, the most prosperous individual in the wide world.

This is an expedient policy, as the lot of the average Russian wage-earner with his 285 which appear in the Soviet Press. This is very skilful. Often more one hears about other important statements are made people's troubles the less one tends to worry about one's own.

**Fifth-Storey Jack
the Sergeant**Another Episode
in the**PRIVATE LIFE OF
A PRIVATE**

WHEN Sergeant Fireplug walks through camp, fellow-soldiers sometimes call after him "Fifth-Storey Jack!" "That's right," says Sergeant Fireplug pleasantly surprised, and "Fireman save my child!"

"Now these men have got to gain by starting a naval war in the Atlantic. But if he could incite Japan to hostilities in the Pacific, he would, at least on the short view, have created a serious diversion.

He trains the Fire Pickets. "Shhup, you! Slugs. Star-

If anything catches alight, it is the fat hares look like slugs, great his duty to put it out at the double.

Every soldier in his time learns something about putting fires out. One week in five or six, a company has to do the dirty work of the battalion—spud-bashing, coal-heaving,

guard-duty, swabbing, fire-fighting, and so on.

"LISTEN. Inevitably, one falls into the immense hands of Sergeant Fireplug.

He lines us up, and calls the roll.

"Now listen," he says. "Every man in this battalion comes here once in a while for about five seconds, and I'm expected to teach him how to be a skilled ruddy fireman."

"No sooner do I teach a man the first thing about fire-engines than he's taken away, and another mug (Oh, blimey) takes his place.

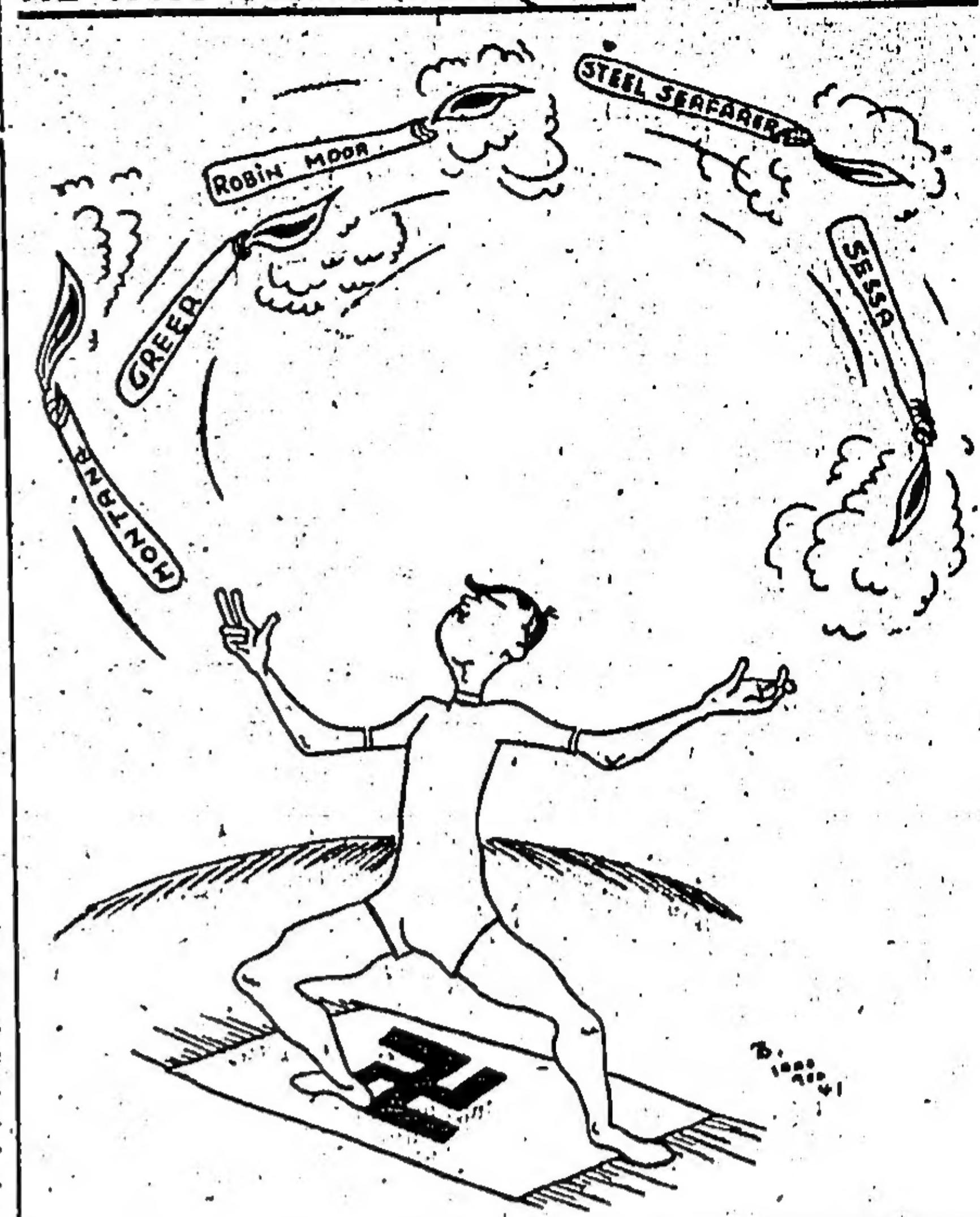
"Now pay attention. You be good boys while you're on fire-picket with me, and you'll get on all right. Start anything just start anything, and you'll wish you'd never been born."

"Now every man on this engine has a job to do. See?"

Like monkeys on Just one little tiny simple job sticks, and you, you in particular that a child of six could do. But lar, you wise guy you. Now, every man's gotta do that little enough palaver. Come round job so quick that the eye cannot this engine.

HE WHO PLAYS WITH FIRE

By Billiken

**The Destroyer and the Tanker**

By WALTER LIPPmann

in the "New York Herald-Tribune"

IT is a curious coincidence, if with Russia. In fact Japan not only has treaty with Russia pedoes should have been fired at which guarantees freedom of an American destroyer in the access to Vladivostok but she

Atlantic on the very day that an American oil tanker arrived in treaty with Russia promising Vladivostok across the Pacific. not to go to war with Russia. In asking us to forego the right to ship goods to Siberia, the Japanese are asking us to agree not only to suspend our own rights but to connive at the violation of these treaties and to participate passively in a blockade, that is to say in a war, against Russia.

They themselves, having been actively at war with China for aggressive action. There is four years feel aggrieved when we reduce our shipments of war supplies to Japan. Yet, though they are not at war with Russia, they ask us to do to Russia acts which when done by us to belligerent Japan, have evoked outrages and reprisals.

Then to top it all, they suggest that we come to a new agreement with them based upon their violation of their treaties and on our betrayal of China, the Netherlands, Britain, and Russia. What faith do they think we could put in an agreement which originated in such faithlessness?

It goes without saying that the United States will not be provoked by incidents or intimidated and deterred by incidents.

We are in Iceland by agreement with the government of Iceland. The Axis has no shadow of a claim on Iceland, and our right to a free passage to Iceland, unmolested by illegal naval operations, is indisputable.

Our need to exercise these rights as a measure of national self-defence is no less certain. An outpost near enough to Europe is essential to the Navy if it is to guard against surprise attack: even if it were true that the Western Hemisphere, or North America, can be defended by the Navy and by bombers, outposts to signal the approach of the enemy—and thus to give time to assemble the defences—are absolutely necessary.

On the ultimate ground of national self-interest and national self-defence, Iceland is as necessary as Alaska, Guam and Hawaii.

Therefore, we are bound to remain in Iceland as long as the Axis threatens to unite all of Europe in one vast aggressive empire. Remaining in Iceland, we are bound to hold the seas open as we hold open the seas to other American outposts, and if their vital communications are attacked, to repel the attack.

The position in the northern Pacific is no less solidly strong. Siberia is a vital interest founded Japan is not at war of the United States.

Paramount Importance Of Production

(BY "REUTER'S" POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Further support to the views of Members of Parliament, that the Government should adopt a more vigorous production policy, is given by editorials which appeared to-day in the leading dailies, "The Times" and "Manchester Guardian".

There is no question that public opinion is deeply stirred on the issue of production but Government are seriously handicapped by conditions of security from being able to reveal to the public anything but a small part of what they are doing and what further plans they have in mind.

Drastic Action Welcomed

The position of Russia, her heroic fight and her growing need of weapons of war has made the issue of production in this country one of the greatest moment. There is no question that the public would whole-heartedly endorse any drastic action, that the Government might feel themselves compelled to take to secure the maximum output and any sacrifices and hardships that such a course entailed would be borne willingly and gladly.

The Government are by no means deaf to the entreaties that have been made to them but their desire is to attain with a minimum of dislocation the target of production at which they have aimed.

Further Steps

There is every reason to believe that further steps are contemplated by the Government in the use of the extraordinary powers conferred on them by Parliament in the early days of their existence, more especially in regard to women.

Large numbers of women are required by the Auxiliary Territorial Service so that 50 men can be released for fighting and it would cause little surprise in political circles if a measure of compulsion is enforced, especially among the younger women who are not doing work of national importance.

Heavy Responsibility

Over the whole field of national effort, the Government have a heavy responsibility to discharge but their task has been made easier by the fact that never before has there been such unity of purpose among the people.

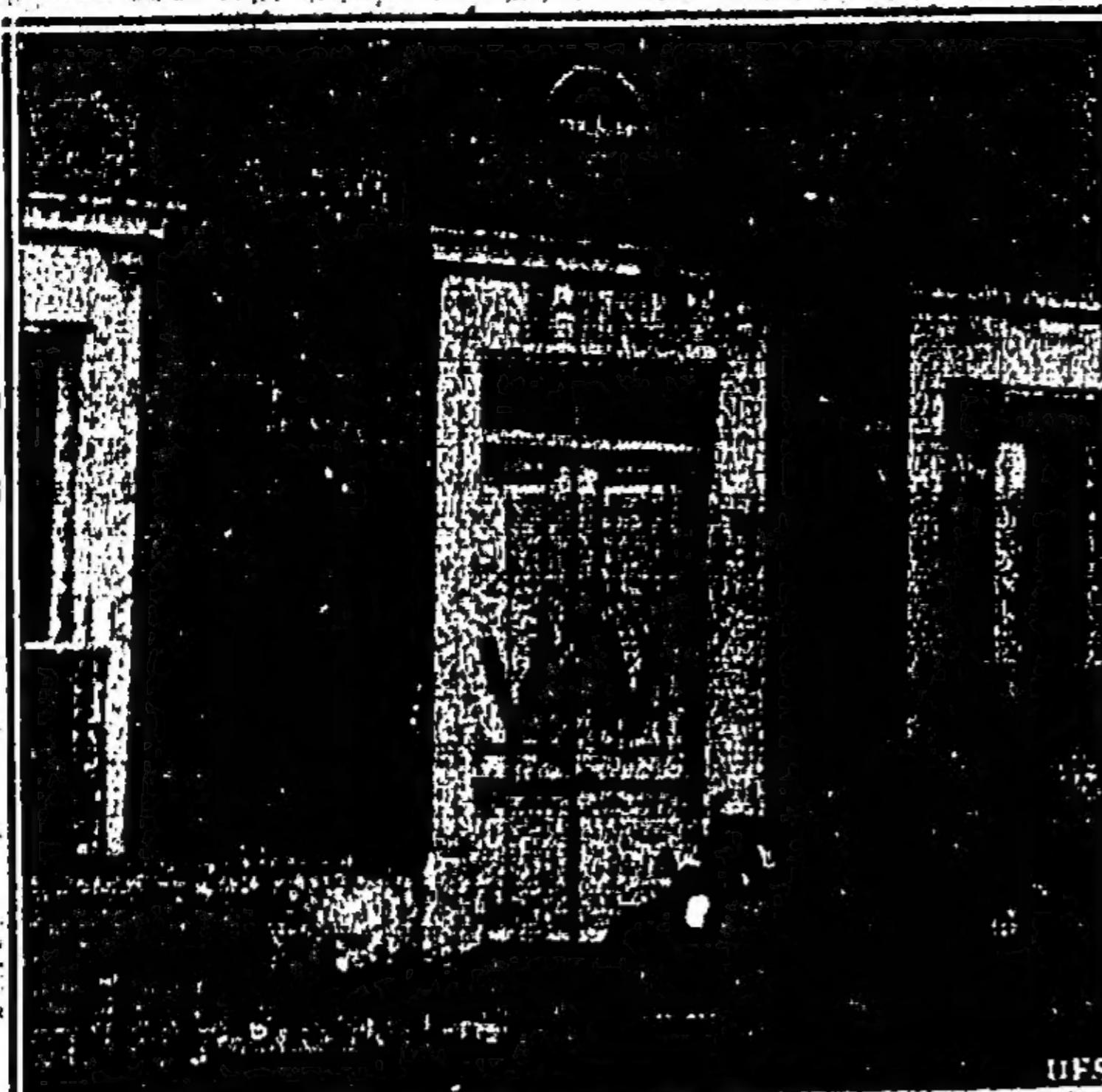
Many dark and anxious times may still lie ahead but if the Government, conscious only of the need for victory, act with boldness, firmness and decision, they will have the unquestioned support of the nation.

Wheat For India

BOMBAY, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government of India are considering the reduction of import duty on wheat at the earliest possible moment.

Missions In Moscow

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Anglo-American Missions have arrived in Moscow.



V'S IN MEXICO—German consulate in Chihuahua City, Mexico, got the works when its front was decorated with V's for Victory. Decoration was done during night and showed attitude of some Mexicans toward Germans.

One in Every Five Doing War Work in Canada

By the end of this year, Canada's war effort will absorb 860,000 persons in the Services and industry, reports a representative of the "Sydney Sun" in Vancouver. That is about one in five of Canada's available man-power.

Decorations for RAF In Middle East

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Canada's Army personnel to-day numbers 190,000, Air Force 44,000, and Navy, 17,000.

Workers in war industry number 340,000.

Estimated demands for the present year total 300,000 more, including the Army, 80,000; Air Force, 35,000; Navy, 7,000; and war industry, 180,000.

Canada is spending on her Army nearly twice as much as on her Air Force, and nearly five times as much as on her Navy.

Army First

The Dominion's total war expenditure so far, including appropriations for the current year, ending in March, 1942, is \$800,000,000.

Besides this there is aid to Britain in shells, ammunition, and all kinds of supplies, showing in the current year's adverse balance against Britain of \$800,000,000.

This is the excess of Canada's exports to Britain over imports.

A general comparison shows that the Army takes first place in Canada's expenditure.

Aid to Britain comes second, Air Force expenditure is third, with Navy expenditure fourth—and very small.

Survivors Rescued

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW SMYRNA, Fla., Sept. 24 (UP).—A coast guard rescue boat arrived here to-day with thirteen survivors of a small freighter which is burning off the Florida coast. The name of the vessel or its nationality is not known. The boat was seen yesterday by a naval patrol bomber and the survivors were picked up in a life boat 35 miles at sea. They included a woman and two children.

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No Adequate Answer By Colony Yet

With little more than a month to go before the expiry of the offer, there seems little chance of the Bomber Fund being able to net the £10,000 offered in a challenge by Sir Victor Sasso.

Sir Victor indicated that he would subscribe this amount if the Colony donated £100,000 between July 8 and October 31. So far, for about 11 per cent. of £100,000 has been donated.

Sir Victor made the offer, through a letter to the General Manager, South China Morning Post, Ltd., with a view to stimulating the Colony's effort.

Of the required total of about \$1,000,000, public subscriptions towards the Fund since July 8, up to 4 p.m. yesterday, totalled \$170,040.80. Thus, over \$1,400,000 is needed by October 31 if the Bomber Fund is to benefit to the extent of the additional £10,000.

Yesterday's Donations

Yesterday's Bomber Fund collections included \$58.00 from Mr. N. Cameron and \$161.76 received from Mr. J. C. Smith, representing unexpired portions of subscriptions to the "Hongkong Radio Review," as per the list of names given below. The Fund has now reached a latest list of \$1,322,935.40. The following is the latest list:

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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations for the Tin Hat Day:

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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the The Blind Girls' Home:

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The Building Fund Committee of the School for the Deaf gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

Previously acknowledged, \$19,322. Miss D. M. Bicheno, \$100. Total \$19,432.

CHILD PROTECTION

The Non-Partisan Society for the Protection of Children acknowledges the following donations:

Mr. Li Kang-ang, \$25; Messrs G. H. Hall
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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Blind Girls' Picnic in memory of Gerde's Birthday, \$25.

Mrs. Hooper, \$5.

AWAITING COLLECTION

Donations for the following organizations will collection at the office of the S. C. M. Post:

Food Kitchen Fund; D.F.R.D.C.; St. John Ambulance Brigade; Blind Girls' Picnic; British Prisoners of War Fund; Middle Chinese China Defence League; Taiho Rural Orphanage; Blind Girls' Home.

British Tanks Rushed Out To Aid Red Army

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Throughout Britain tanks are rolling out for Soviet Russia. Hundreds and hundreds are being assembled and armed in a ceaseless flow. All previous records are being smashed.

Women are taking a leading part in this gigantic British effort on behalf of "Tanks For Russia Week."

A Ministry of Supply official told "Reuters" that one large factory in South Wales had already turned out more guns for tanks than was ever believed possible in the time.

Excellent Reports

Reports reaching the Ministry of Supply to-day from factories in all parts of the country show that the tank output for the first three days of the "Tanks For Russia Week" has increased by 50 per cent. over the corresponding period of a month ago.

Gayda's Warning To Roosevelt

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Sept. 24 (UP).—Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda, warning President Roosevelt that any armament of American merchant ships will be met by counter measures by the Axis.

He declared: "United States merchant ships are going to be transformed into war craft and take an aggressive attitude which necessitates defensive measures by Axis ships if they meet them on the sea routes."

Ex-Shah Leaving For Argentine

TEHERAN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The ex-shah has left Kerman in the direction of Bandar Abbas and is to pass through India on his way to the Argentine according to an Iranian news agency.

Sympathy For Swiss Shown By Britain

But Precautions Taken

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It is officially stated in London that "In view of the commercial agreement recently signed between Switzerland and Germany, the British Government are no longer able to continue the limited facilities hitherto accorded for passage through the blockade and across enemy territory of materials for Swiss industry."

"The Government, however, appreciate the difficulties of Switzerland's position and will continue to give facilities within reasonable limits for import into Switzerland of food-stuffs and fodder and of certain other goods exclusively destined for domestic consumption."

Official quarters declared that the move was not an act of retaliation but simply recognition of the state of affairs which exists through no fault of the Swiss or of Britain.

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Strong Protest

VICHY, Sept. 24 (UP).—The French Government is protesting strongly to London against the sinking of the Moncelet. The protest is based on three points: firstly, that the Moncelet was transporting phosphates which is not contraband of war; secondly, that she was navigating in French waters; thirdly, that the French tricolor was plainly visible and therefore no mistake was possible.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Sir Dabida Merwanji Dalal, former High Commissioner for India in London, left estate in England valued at £5,000.

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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES**K. Tong's Chance In Second Division****All-Important Match Against Kowloon F.C. On Saturday**

Lawn Bowls:

Pairs Champions Beaten By Solina And Omar Lack of Practice

SHOWING a definite lack of practice, H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, Pairs champions of last year, were eliminated in the quarter-finals of this year's championship when they met S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar at the Kowloon B.G.C. yesterday. The Cragengower pair won by 21-12.

Solina and Omar deserved their victory for they were by far the better pair. The Recreio pair opened the scoring with a single, but the Valley combination scored a four on the 4th end through fine bowling by Omar, and from that moment to the end they were in the lead.

The champions' total of 12 included seven singles, a 2 and a 3. This latter was registered on the 20th end, but when the Cragengower pair were in the lead.

Alves and Ribeiro had a bad spell over the middle ends when from the 9th to the 14th Solina and Omar chalked up a total of nine shots to make the score then 17-4.

Scores were:

Solina & Omar:	0, 2, 0, 4, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1=21.
Alves & Ribeiro:	1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 3, 0, 1=21.
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Referees' Classes

The final lecture by the Hongkong Football Referees' Association on Rules from Nos. 1 to 17, will be given by Mr. Hugh A. Beard, Chairman, and Lieut. L. G. Crosby, Chairman of the Army Referees' Sub-Committee, at the Scandal Point Hall to-day at 7 p.m. An examination for Army and R.A.F. candidates will be held at the Scandal Point Hall on Monday, September 29 at 7 p.m.

SPORTS ADVT.**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all costs, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 2704) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21020).

No children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**NOTICE TO MEMBERS****SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING
"GOSFORD HANDICAP"**

Saturday, 27th September, 1941

In view of the number of entries received for the above, it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

A cash sweep tickets \$1 each, will be held on this race but "All-through" numbers will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,
S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, 20th September, 1941.

Pairs Quarter-Finals On Sunday

FROM THE POINT OF VIEW of three teams in the First Division and seven in the Third, the League was over when they finished their matches last Saturday. But interest is as keen as ever in respect of the relegation problem in the First Division and the championships of the Second and Third Divisions.

Three teams are in danger of going down into the Second Division, these being Recreio "B", Kowloon B.G.C. "B" and Civil Service C.C.

Of the three, Recreio "B" are in the best position and can only be affected if they lose all five points in their last match of the season against Kowloon C.C. and if the Civil Servants win all five against Kowloon Docks.

The following are the standings of these three teams:

Recreio "B"	17	5	0	0	257
Kowloon B.G.C. "B"	17	4	13	0	252
Civil Service	17	3	14	0	21

THE results of matches in the Second Division last week have ensured an extremely interesting ending to the championship. Kowloon Football Club, the leaders, won 4-1 against Hongkong C.C., and Kowloon Tong, the only team in a position to challenge the leaders, beat Tai Po Docks on all three rinks.

Thus Kowloon Tong are now only two points behind Kowloon F.C. with the match between them to decide the championship. If Kowloon Tong can beat the Footballers by 4-1, they will snatch a last-minute success.

But this match will be decided on the Kowloon F.C. green and it will be a tall order for Kowloon Tong to keep the home side down to only one point. It should prove to be one of the best matches of the season in this division.

IN the Third Division, Kowloon Bowling Green Club kept their noses in front of the Police R.C. by going to Happy Valley last week and beating the guardians of the peace by four points to one.

With the Indians—who were still in the running—taking only half a point from Hongkong Electric, the position in this section is that the Police need only two points in their last game of the season—against Kowloon F.C. at Chatham Road—to clinch the championship.

The Indians' best hope of keeping abreast of these two teams was to beat Hongkong Electric by five points to nil. Considering that the Electricians occupy the cellar position in the League Table, the task was not as formidable as some might have imagined. But weakened by the absence of three players, including two regular skips, the Indians were not equal to the occasion.

AS to be expected, Craigengower C.C., the new champions of the First Division, won on all three rinks against Kowloon B.G.C. "B". Having already won the title, the only interest left for Craigengower in this match was whether U. M. Omar's rink could retain its 100 per cent. record.

Drawn against Jock McElveen, Omar had to go all out to win and the fact that he had only two shots to spare at the end is sufficient testimony to the fight put up by McElveen.

Dick Basa, No. 3 to Omar, enjoyed one of his better days in this match and it was due to a great extent to him that the rink kept its record intact.

AT Sookunpo, the Indians scored a clean sweep against Kowloon Docks, thus avenging the 4-1 defeat the latter inflicted on them at Hung-hom some weeks ago.

Taking charge of a rink for the second time, D. M. Khan was again the most successful skip on the home side. He was given good support by his front men, all of whom were having the better of their opposite numbers.

As a result Fred Cullen had an unenviable job.

A. K. Minu just scraped through by three shots against A. Colman, while M. R. Abbs' rink—the same four who are in the final of the open championship—had to score on the last four ends to win by two shots.

Malcolm Ferguson played a splendid game against Abbs, settling down to the green almost at once.

It was good to see Bob Craig turning out once again. Considering that he had been out of the game for so long, Craig—he used to play for the Kowloon C.C.—was quite good in his drawing to the jack, although the heaviness of the Sookunpo green found him short on a few occasions.

NOTICE that arrangements for playing off the rink final have not yet been made. It is reported that the Sub-Committee have decided to hold the match in abeyance and that it will probably be played off within the next fortnight or so.

As it is already a fortnight since the semi-finals were played, this means that the finalists are to be left kicking their heels about for a month.

Between the quarter-finals and the semi-finals there is a lapse of two weeks and now between the selected winners for the women's events.

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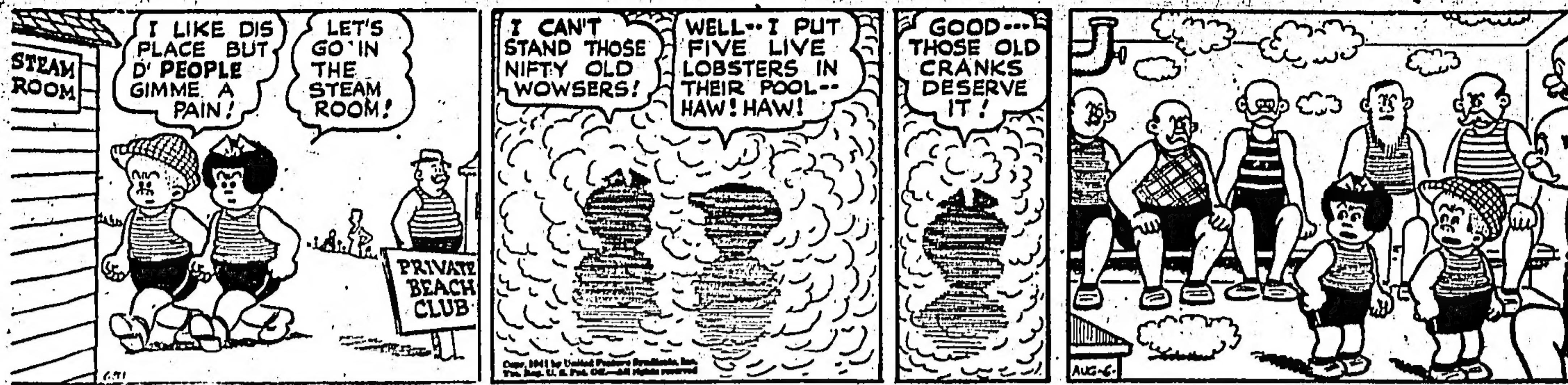
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NANCY**CABLE TO BE SENT TO MR DUFF COOPER**

About four hundred bachelor-husbands attended a meeting at the Peninsula Hotel Rose Room yesterday evening and learnt that the Governor, Sir Mark Young, had undertaken to recommend to the Home Government at the earliest possible moment the revocation of the evacuation decree.

They received this information from Mr W. V. Taylor, Hon. Secretary of the Evacuation Representation Committee, but they made derisive exclamations when they learnt that action by the Governor was dependant upon the counsel of his military and civil advisers, arguing that their position was much as before.

Much of the time was given to an itemisation of cases of alleged discrimination involving wives of high Government officials and other influential people, both in the matter of evading the evacuation order and of obtaining permission to re-enter the Colony.

The meeting unanimously decided to cable Mr A. Duff Cooper, representative of the British Cabinet in the Far East, in Singapore urging the husbands' grievances. By another resolution the husbands declared their opinion that the evacuation had impaired the morale of the Colony's British population.

An appeal for funds resulted in \$739.47 being collected, which was added to the Committee's standing credit of \$267.30. When the figures were disclosed a voice from the hall shouted, "This money might have gone to the Bomber Fund if not for the evacuation."

At least one woman attended the meeting, which testified to its patriotism by singing the National Anthem at its close.

Mr R. J. Banks (Committee Chairman) presided and was supported on the platform by Messrs W. V. Taylor (Hon. Secretary), V. D. Gage, J. Shepherd, L. A. Gibson, D. Nickson, and W. G. McRae and Captain W. E. Kirby.

British Red Cross

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The British Red Cross has allocated £250,000 to deal with the immediate needs of Russia and Britain's other Allies.

Lord Iliffe, Chairman of the Duke of Gloucester's Red Cross and St John Fund, is issuing a special appeal to meet the urgent needs of the Polish Army and the Czechoslovak Legion being organised on Russian soil.

REMOVAL OF STATUES

The King Charles I statue in Trafalgar Square is to be taken away to a secret place of "presumed safety" and is reappearing from its protective sandbags and corrugated iron. Other statues which may be moved soon are those of Charles II in Chelsea Hospital and George II at Greenwich.



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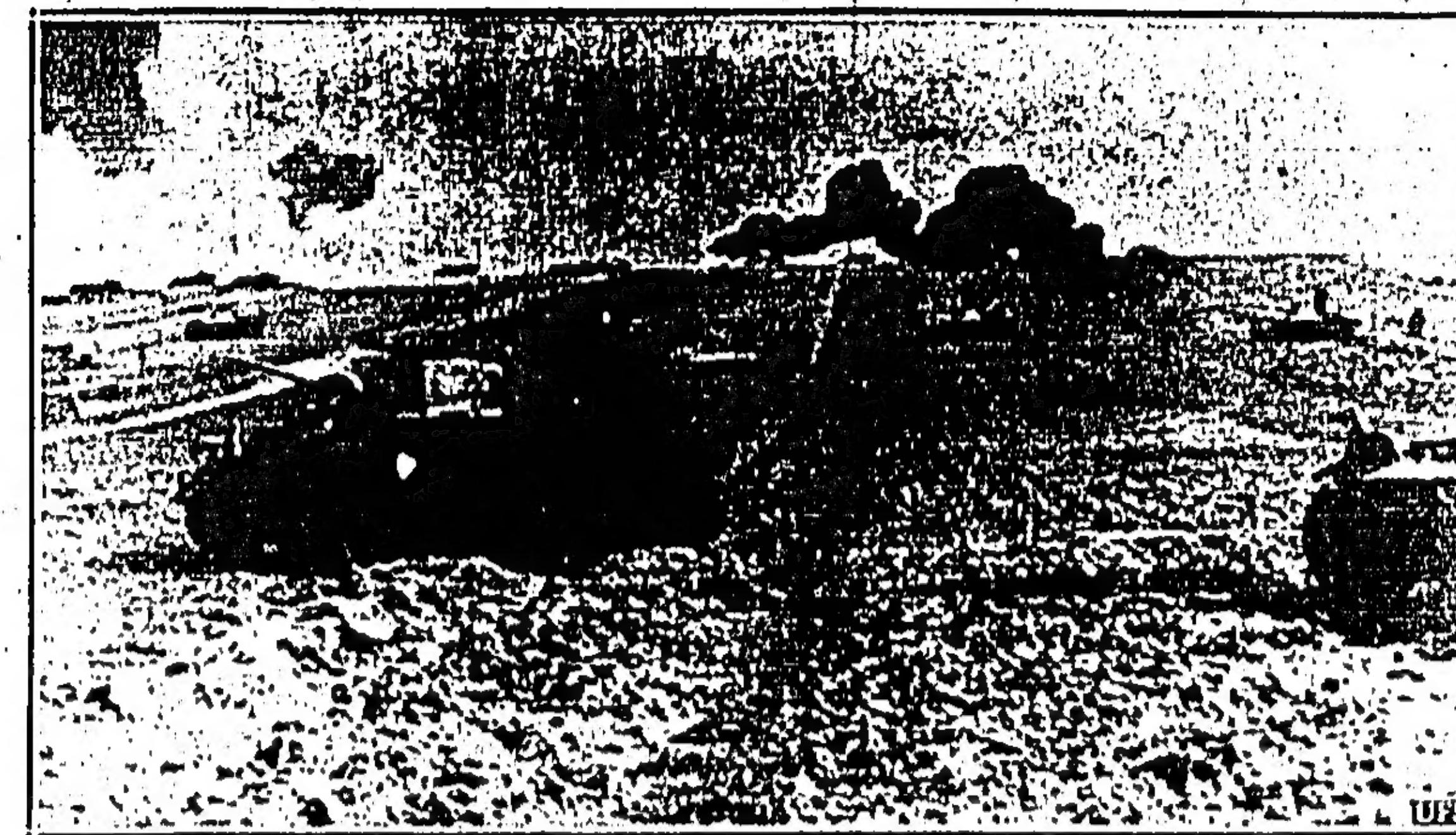
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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Jack Hulbert and Cleely Courtenay in Variety.

2.15 Close Down.

0.0 Indian Programme.

0.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

0.47 Dance Music by Gerald Moore (Piano) and His Rhythms.

0.50 Vivian Ellis (Piano) and Jessie Matthews (Vocal).

0.55 Light Orchestral.

Half Vienna—Potpourri (Dostal); "Viktoria And Her Hussar"—Selection (Abraham); "Manon"—Fantasia (Mossenck, arr. Tavan).

0.60 London Relay—The News.

0.65 London Relay—War Commentary.

0.25 London Relay—"Listening Post".

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

0.80 Programme Summary.

0.82 A Ketelby Programme.

0.90 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

0.02 Studio—"Tonight We Present".

A Record Review arranged by John Abbott.

0.45-10.0 News in French (on Short Wave only).

0.45 Berlioz—"King Lear" Overture, Op. B.C.

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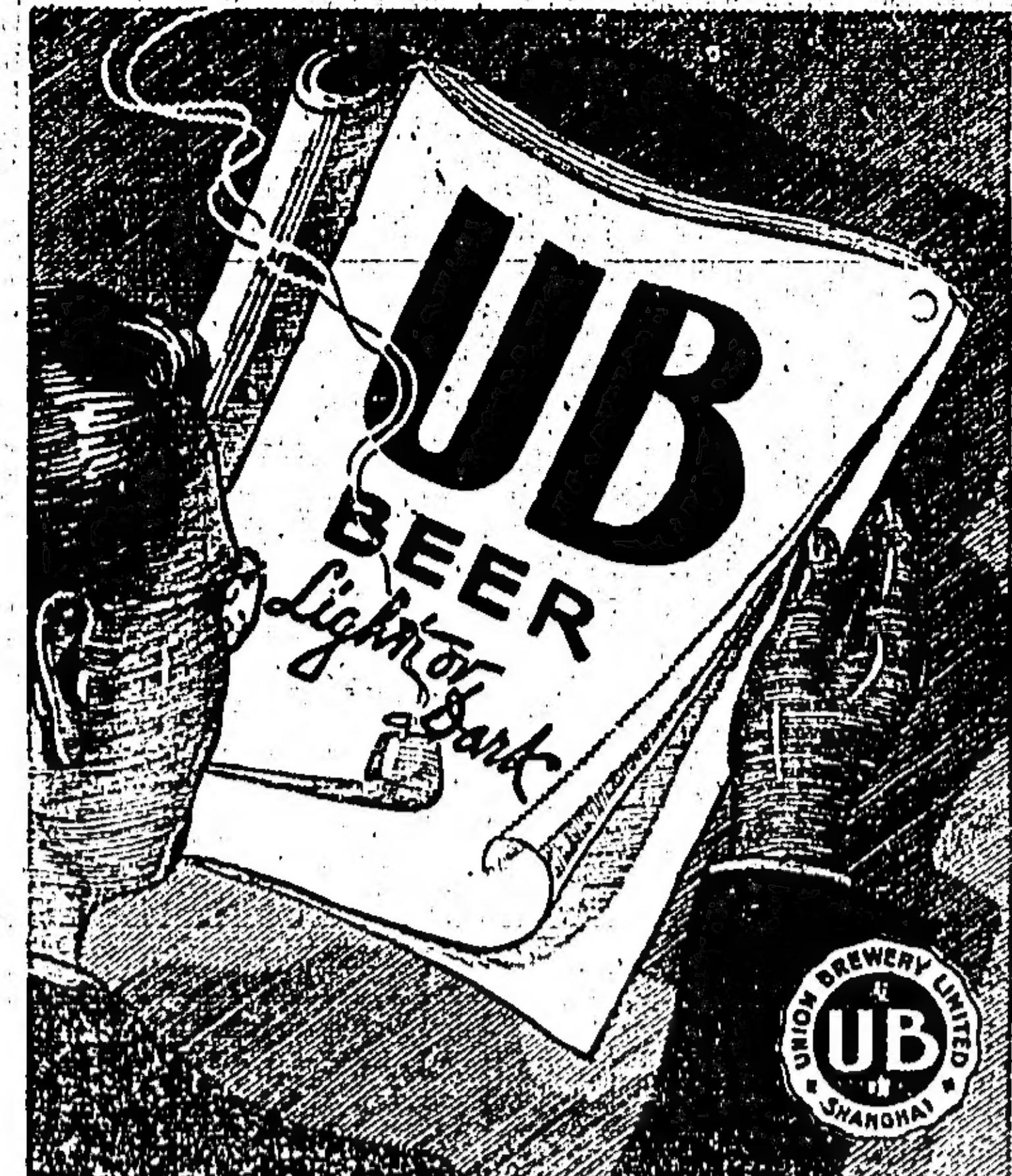
10.0 London—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Short Piano Recital by Arthur Rubinstein.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—THE SEVEN DAY BATTLE IN THE DIRECTION OF MURMANSK ENDED TO-DAY WITH THE COMPLETE COLLAPSE OF THE SECOND GERMAN OFFENSIVE, ACCORDING TO A DISPATCH TO THE NEWSPAPER "RED STAR." IN ONE SECTOR THE ENEMY DEAD NUMBERED 2,000. THE DISPATCH ADDED, "THE STUBBORN RESISTANCE OF OUR TROOPS AND THEIR CRUSHING COUNTER-ATTACKS; THE SEVERE LOSSES AND THE COLD WHICH IS SETTING IN IN THE NORTH ARE DRIVING THE FASCISTS TO DESPAIR."

The offensive was launched early in September with picked German troops who were transferred from Norway, consisting of S.S. battalions and several Alpine regiments who were ordered to take the vital ice-free port at any cost.

The Russian counter-attack halted the advance and compelled the Germans to take up defensive positions.

A telephone dispatch from Leningrad reported to-day that the Russians trapped a panzer column which surrendered after a short battle in which one German General was killed, 117 officers and men captured, and 20 damaged and 16 undamaged tanks taken which will now be used by the Red army.

BITTER FIGHTING REPORTED

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Activity on the Odessa front has again increased. Bitter fighting is going on in the neighbourhood of Kherson for a point called "N" which Soviet troops hold.

The enemy has flung in more reserves but the Soviet forces have thrown back the Germans after a bloody struggle in which 1,500 enemy corpses were left piled up in tank traps.

Terrific Battle For Leningrad

Russian and German Reports

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The terrible struggle for Leningrad and the ebb and flow of the opposing armies was described to-day in both Berlin and Moscow broadcasts.

The Germans, in claiming the capture of a "fair-sized" town, refer to hard house-to-house fighting before the city and the "tenacious resistance" of the city's defenders.

Nazis Hope To Cut Off Budenny

WAR COMMENTARY BY "ANNALIST"

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Germans to-day announced that the complete elimination of the encircled Russian forces can be reckoned with "in a few days."

This tells a somewhat different story from their earlier claims to have surrounded Soviet troops who are disintegrating and being abandoned by their officers.

It confirms the views already expressed that the Germans are making a desperate effort to cut off the rearguards of Marshal Budenny's forces and that the latter are fighting with the same indomitable spirit that characterised Russian soldiers throughout the last three months.

Indeed, unofficial reports from Moscow of counter-attacks at Glukhov and Poltava, which are reported to have met with local success, show that Russian morale is not weakening.

Mashy's Estimate

Both at Leningrad and Odessa, the assailants have not been able to make any progress despite repeated attacks with heavy forces. German losses in these intensive operations must undoubtedly have been heavy and there are, therefore, good grounds for believing that the estimate of M. Mashy of German losses as somewhere in the neighbourhood of three million is not excessive.

The recent German claim of heavy air raids and air successes over Britain are to certain knowledge without foundation and prove that German propaganda is being compelled once again to have to recuse to down-right lies to give the German people a little encouragement and confidence.

At "Point N" Soviet troops hold well-prepared defensive positions. The enemy, without sparing men, launched one attack after another and once pierced the Soviet first line defences. The Soviet Command threw in reserves and forced the Germans out.

News published in the "Red Star" throws down the German claim to have already reached Perekop on the Isthmus and to have isolated the Crimea. The "Red Star" does not state exactly how far from Kherson the battle is in progress. Kherson itself stands on the high right bank of the Dnieper 20 miles from the mouth and is one of the largest cities on the Dnieper. The region may be called the orchard of the Ukraine, producing the finest grapes and peaches.

Germans Dislodged

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Red army on the central front to-day dislodged the Germans from a fortified base on the east bank of the Western Dvina River, and during the course of a four-day battle decimated two regiments and killed 2,500 men, according to a dispatch to the "Red Star".

Battles of Bridges

On the Russian side, the "Red Star" states that in the battles of the bridges to Leningrad the German attacks have been repulsed and the Russians have inflicted heavy losses in a series of counter-attacks.

According to a field dispatch to the "Red Star," one such counter-attack developed into a battle which raged throughout Tuesday. Soviet troops drove the 12th German Infantry Division to roll back, capturing fortified positions.

The Germans then brought tanks into action, supported by infantry, but were compelled to retreat, leaving the battlefield strewn with the corpses of German soldiers.

Cossack Tanks

In another sector on the south-eastern approaches to the city, the Germans drove a wedge into the German defences but were forced to

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Reds Demand Dismissal Of British Cabinet Ministers

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Communist Party of Great Britain in a statement issued to the press to-day demanded the immediate dismissal of the Minister of Aircraft Production, Colonel Moore-Barbizon, and the Secretary of State for War, Captain Davis Margesson.

The statement also requested immediate calling of Parliament "so that steps can be taken to strengthen the Government and adopt a policy which will guarantee to the people that no obstacle is going to be allowed to stand in the way of effecting a decisive defeat to Hitler."

The rising note of alarm and criticism is now being daily expressed in every newspaper in Britain regarding Government's policy on Russia's manpower and production which reflects a widespread feeling among the people that Government is not facing up to the urgency of the present war situation at the very moment when the strongest and most decisive fronts of leadership and action are necessary," added the communiqué.

Disappearance Mystery Of British Attaché's Wife

Special to the "Telegraph"

PEIPING, Sept. 24 (UP).—Mystery continued to surround the disappearance of the beautiful and popular Japanese-born Alko, wife of Mr Denzil H. Clarke, Press Attaché of the British Embassy. She has been missing since she left a lady friend's house last Saturday. Her husband and the British Embassy are making every possible effort to find her and have also appealed to the Japanese authorities; however, thus far they have not been able to obtain the slightest clue.

The British Consul, Mr A. L. Tuson told the "United Press" that he is convinced that Mrs Clarke has been kidnapped, and he believes that her disappearance is closely linked with an extremely libellous article, published in the Japanese daily newspaper "Tao Shimpō" on September 12 in which Mrs Clarke was severely criticised for behaving in a manner causing pain to patriotic Japanese. The article also made other fantastic allegations. The British Embassy requested the Japanese newspaper to publish a retraction but have so far failed to obtain satisfaction.

Inflation Danger In America Stressed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (UP).—Mr Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, testifying to-day before the House Banking Committee urged Congressional approval of a bill designed to control price levels.

He said that "bold and effective action" is necessary for the purpose of halting the quickening trend towards inflation.

He urged that the Administration's bill be amended for the purpose of including farm prices but opposed the fixing of maximum wage levels. He also urged the release of Government-owned stocks of farm goods for the purpose of preventing a dangerous rise in prices.

Mr Morgenthau stated: "Whole sale prices for farm products have risen 37 per cent during the past year of which six per cent occurred within the last month. All commodities have risen 18 per cent during the last year—foods are up 25 per cent; textiles 23 per cent; building materials 12 per cent and chemicals 14 per cent."

Bulgaria Denies Bellicosity

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—All is quiet in Bulgaria, declared the Bulgarian Minister of the Interior, M. Grabowski, addressing foreign journalists in Sofia to-day, states a Sofia dispatch to the official German news agency.

The Minister stressed that as a partner in the Three-Power Pact, Bulgaria stood on the side of the Axis Powers politically and ideologically.

He denied American reports that in the near future Bulgaria would enter the war against the Soviet Union, establish a protectorate in the Crimean, control the Black Sea and participate in the exploitation of the Caucasus oil-fields.

Bulgaria, he added, had no aggressive intentions against anyone and quarter."

Refinery In Flames

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WHITING, Ind., Sept. 24 (UP).—Fire is raging in the 700 acre refinery of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana and flames are shooting 100 feet into the air.

The fire broke out in two tanks this morning and the intense heat prevents the approach of the fire fighters to within several hundred feet.

So these books contain just the names of the workmen?—Yes, as well as Kin Lee's workmen.

And the morning report contains the amount of work they did?

Work Checked

That work is checked by a Government foreman.—The No. 1 foreman would check the measurement taken down by the man on duty.

George Tsang would check the work done by each man the previous night?—Yes.

With that information the morning report contains the amount of work done.

The flames were visible for miles before they were brought under control.

Neutrality Act May Soon Be Amended

Australian Government Survives

Censure Motion Defeated

CANBERRA, Sept. 24 (Reuter)

—In the Australian Parliament to-day, Mr John Curtin, the Labour Leader, moved an amendment which amounted to a vote of censure on the Government.

Predicting that the Neutrality Act will be amended in important respects, Senator Connally said that it might be completely repealed except that it carries some desirable provisions such as Government control over munitions exports.

The Commission comprises His Honour Mr Justice P. E. F. Cressall (Chairman), Mr S. Hampden Ross and Mr L. C. F. Bellamy with Mr K. M. A. Barnet as Secretary, Mr D. H. Blake appeared for the Kin Lee firm, contractors for the building of the tunnel shelters in Kowloon. Mr G. G. N. Thinson appeared for Wing-Comdr A. H. S. Steele-Perkins.

Books Produced

Lo Hok-pui, P.W.D. foreman, was recalled this morning, and produced a number of books which had been selected by the Commission yesterday.

The Chairman: What date do they start from?

Witness: From September 20, 1940.

Up to date?—Yes.

In those books, the names of all workmen employed by the sub-contractors are entered?—We have only the numbers of the workmen employed. These books contain entries of three foremen.

If one goes through those books and adds up the numbers, one will have the total number of workmen employed by the sub-contractors since the job started?—One can find that out from these books but we have never added up the total.

Are the rates of pay entered in these books?—May I explain? The workmen employed by the sub-contractors were paid not so much per day but by the amount of work done.

Is that information down in these books?—The system was like this. These books contain the number of workmen employed by the sub-contractors but there is no record of the work done by them. The work done by them is measured by the foreman on duty from 12 midnight to 8 a.m. and this having been done is entered in the morning report.

So these books contain just the names of the workmen?—Yes, as well as Kin Lee's workmen.

And the morning report contains the amount of work they did?

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Mr Early's Statement

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (Reuter)

—There is no reason why President Roosevelt should not make public next week his decision to arm merchantmen.

His amendment displayed disapproval of what he alleged was the use of Government funds, amounting to over £3,000 for bribing Union officials.

After Mr Curtin had moved his amendment, Mr W. M. Hughes, the Attorney-General and Navy Minister, firmly denied the allegations that the Government had used the funds for bribing Union officials.

The total expenditure for 20 months for such funds was £4,800 and this had been used to counter subversive activities and propaganda.

Mr Curtin's motion of censure was defeated by 32 votes to 31.

LATEST

No Menace To Japan U.S. Shipments To Vladivostok

TOKYO, Sept. 24 (UP)

The Deputy Government Spokesman, Mr Ichii Iishi in broadcast this evening told the Japanese nation that it is inconceivable that the United States aid to Russia shipments via Vladivostok would constitute a menace to Japan because of the shortage of American bottom.

However, he said, aside to the question of the volume of such shipments, the feeling of the Japanese people over the navigation close to Japanese waters of American ships transporting such supplies as aviation gasoline upon which the United States has placed an embargo to Japan, is similar to the Asama case last year when a British warship forcibly inspected the Asama Maru in waters from which Mount Fuji was visible. This act deeply aroused the entire Japanese nation. That is the reason why the Japanese Government sent representations to the United States and Russia.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Japanese Move Against Siberia is Forecast

Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, Sept. 24 (UP).—The newspaper "In Kung Pao" to-day predicted that with the loss of Kiev, the Japanese will be launching an offensive against Siberia very soon.

The reasons for the winter campaigns on the northern mainland include the fact that the freezing of all rivers in Manchuria permit Japanese cavalry and artillery to move freely.

The establishment of General Yamada's horde completes the preparations for a push north and the recent protest regarding the Soviet mines and the sinking of Japanese fishing boats provides the best opportunity for Russo-Japanese clash.

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9.—No picture is entered in more than one section.

10.—Mounts to be either white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x14, 18x20.

11.—No correspondence will be entered in connection with the Competition.

12.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.

13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$2,835.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

A Record Review, arranged by John Abbott.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

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The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

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10.15 Short Piano Recital by Arthur Rubinstein.

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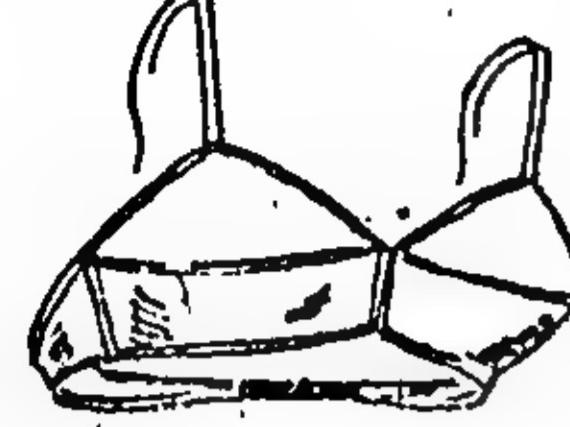
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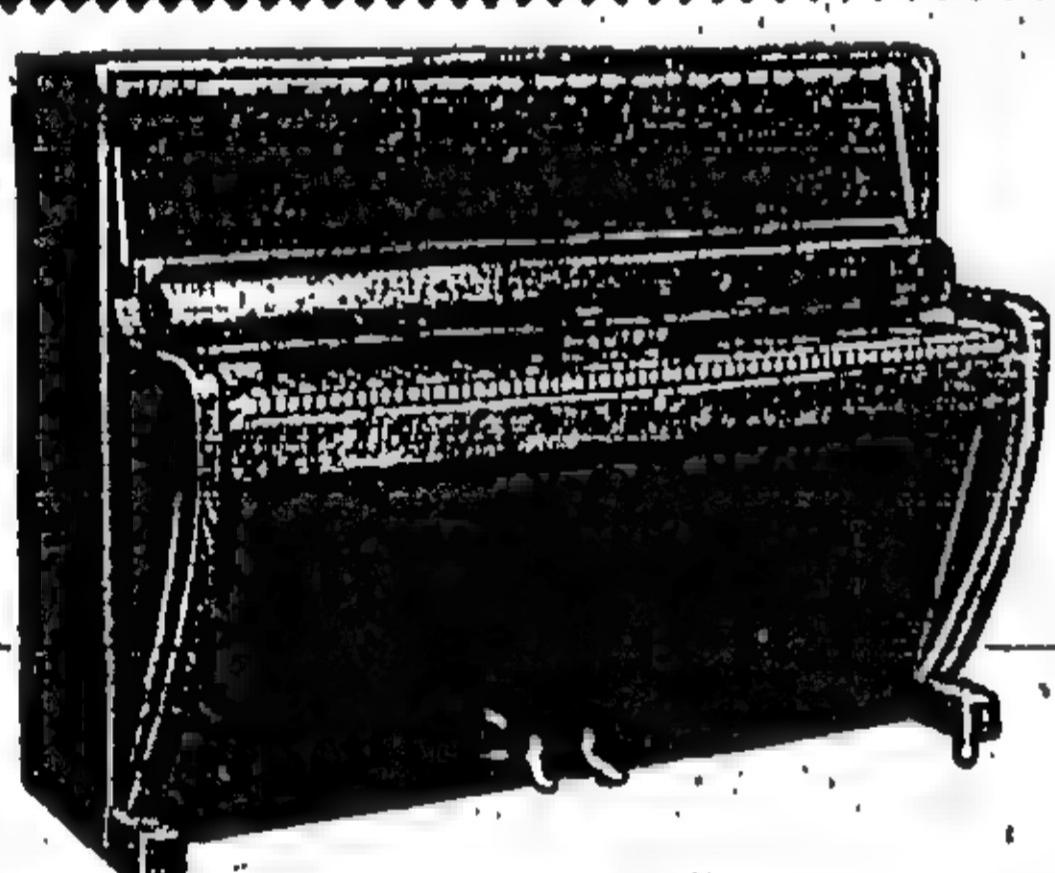
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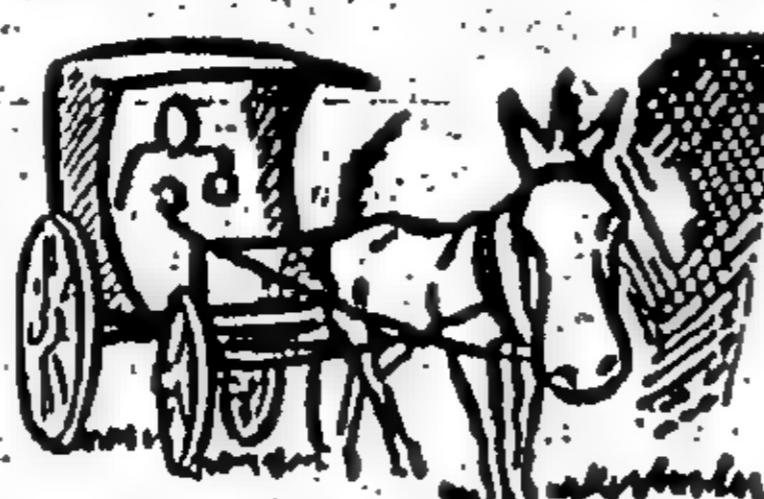
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GENTLE REMINDER

LETTERS from Home, the regular calling up of women and men of advanced ages, pictures like "The Ramparts we Watch", the daily newspaper reports each telling of so many persons who have given their lives for a Cause: these must spasmodically give the Hongkong conscience a painful twinge. Isolated as we are, literally an outpost of Empire, Hongkong has so far escaped all but the minor nuisances of warfare. The war that is ravaging China has left our borders intact; the war that Britain is waging for life and death has not tapped our man-power or depleted our tables. We pay a little more and we get what we have always had: the best that the Far East can offer. Volunteers chasing under a monotonous routine have not the satisfaction of knowing that we are actively defending a vital link in the Empire chain: ours is but a listening post, a prostrate door that must be kept open so long as it pays, a prestige port, a nerve that will warn the huge body of the approach of danger.

Hongkong people have read with something like amazement of elderly parents out on fire-spotting duty all night or giving manual service to defence works. The contrast is often painful. It makes our own grievances seem rather small.

Secluded as we thus are from actual hostilities we can yet throw ourselves more heartedly into our mission here: keeping ourselves as strong as we can to throw a big stumbling block into the path of any aggressor; contributing as lavishly as possible to the war and cultivating the goodwill of China. But it must be conceded that our ways are largely ordered by the Government. Hongkong must be kept a going concern and our job is to obey orders.

Meanwhile "Ramparts we Watch" touched more emotions than pockets; the Bomber Fund has been sluggish lately. It does not seem that Hongkong is fully showing its gratitude for being left in peace by giving generously to those who are fighting our war, both Chinese and European. It would not be inappropriate to repeat what was previously advocated: Give till it hurts.

How The Soviet Press Works

By JOHN SCOTT

ALMOST 9,000 newspapers tracting the attention of the world outside world at all. It is done are published in the Soviet very simply. A Tass dispatch Union, daily. Their total date-lined Stockholm, and often circulation in 1939 was 47, undated, is published through 920,000. This vast propaganda out the Soviet Press. It quotes organisation takes orders lengthily from an obscure Foreign Press Bureau of Portuguese newspaper, to the effect the Central Committee of the that British circles in Madrid Communist Party, and is mono- expect Spain to do this and lithically official in its treatment of foreign affairs and of all ma- send such dispatches to its foreign clients, and any Moscow correspondent who tries to report it gets called down (as I have been myself on occasion), even if the piece is passed by the Soviet censor.

Regularly when there is a conference or a congress and the Kremlin leaders deliver speeches, the entire Soviet Press publishes the texts in full for several days, to the exclusion of other news.

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Local papers, of which there are nearly four thousand, differ from the central newspapers only in the inferior quality of the printing and the fact that after all." Perfectly clear. Anything in the Soviet papers is a Soviet comment.

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The most important Soviet newspapers are: "Pravda," organ of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, circulation something over two million daily; "Izvestia," organ of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, circulation 1,660,000; "Trud," organ of the Central Council of the Trade Unions, circulation about half a million.

In addition to its many newspapers, the Soviet Press and in Britain. It paints a very propagaanda machine publishes 1,880 periodicals with a combined circulation of 250 million copies.

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The Soviet Press is well directed. There are a dozen world.

This is an expedient policy, theirs are the only articles which appear in the Soviet to 300 roubles average monthly wage, is by no means easy.

Tass is very skilful. Often more one hears about other important statements are made people's troubles the less one to the Soviet public without at tends to worry about one's own.

Fifth-Storey Jack the Sergeant

Another Episode in the

follow his movements, and dead accurately.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE

WHEN Sergeant Fireplug walks through camp, fellow-soldiers sometimes call after him "Fifth-Storey Jack!"

"That's right," says Sergeant Fireplug pleasantly surprised, "Now these men have got to fix the hose, run it out, join it up, and get the engine going, so rapidly that startled hares look like snails," says the Lad.

"I'LL SHOW YOU!"

He trains the Fire Pickets. If anything catches alight, it is his duty to put it out at the double.

Every soldier in his time learns something about putting fires out. One week in five or six, a company has to do the dirty work of the battalion—spud-bashing, coal-heaving, guard-duty, swabbing, fire-fighting, and so on.

"LISTEN" Inevitably, one falls into the immense hands of Sergeant Fireplug.

He lines us up, and calls the roll.

"Now, listen," he says. "Every man in this battalion comes here once in a while for about five seconds, and I'm expected to teach him how to be a skilled ruddy fireman."

"No sooner do I teach a man the first thing about fire-engines than he's taken away, and another mug (Oh, blimey) takes his place.

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"Now pay attention: You be good boys while you're on fire-picket with me, and you'll get on just a child of six could do. But I'm going to make firemen out of every man-jack of you if just start anything, and you'll wish you'd never been born."

"Now every man on this engine has a job to do. See? Just one little tiny simple job sticks, and you, you in particular, you wise guy you. Now, every man's got to do that little enough palaver. Come round job so quick that the wi cannot this engine."

Like monkeys, on sticks, and you, you in particular, you wise guy you. Now, every man's got to do that little enough palaver. Come round job so quick that the wi cannot this engine."

HE WHO PLAYS WITH FIRE

By Billiken

**The Destroyer and the Tanker**

By WALTER LIPPMANN

in the "New York Herald-Tribune"

IT is a curious coincidence, if with Russia. In fact Japan not only has treaty with Russia pedoes should have been fired at which guarantees freedom of an American destroyer in the access to Vladivostok, but she Atlantic on the very day that an has also a very recently signed American oil tanker arrived in treaty with Russia, promising Vladivostok across the Pacific, not to go to war with Russia. The last time an American ship was attacked—the case of the Robin Moor—it just happened that the pressure on Marshal Petain to accept full collaboration was reaching its climax. On the evidence available, it may be assumed that the attack on the U. S. S. Greer was, if not a mistake by the submarine commander, then an incident intended to incite Japan to actively at war with China for aggressive action. There is yet no evidence that Hitler himself wants just now to go to war with the United States over Iceland or anything else.

They themselves, having been acts which when done by us to belligerent Japan, have evoked outcries and reprisals.

Then to top it all, they suggest that we come to a new agreement with them based upon their violation of their treaties and on our betrayal of China, the Netherlands, Britain, and Russia. What faith do they think we could put in an agreement which originated in such faithlessness?

Were the United States to agree to the Japanese demands, permitting Japan to blockade Siberia, we should not earn the friendship of Japan and we should certainly earn the enmity or contempt of all our other neighbours in the Pacific. We should have prepared the ground in Siberia either for a Japanese conquest or for an Axis-controlled Russian government. Whereas, now, Siberia stands as a powerful check on Japan, we should have freed Japan for her adventures and acquired as our nearest neighbour in Alaska another dangerous enemy.

In fact, Japan's willingness to let us send supplies to Siberia is the acid test of her good faith not only as respects her treaties with Russia but as respects any other promises she may make anywhere else in the Pacific. Japanese promises have not been well kept since 1931. Their value would drop to zero if now, after Mr. Matsukata's recent journey to Moscow, the new treaty of non-aggression were scrapped. The very fact that the Japanese government wants to scrap that treaty along with all the others in the Pacific is conclusive evidence that a strong Siberia is an essential guarantee against further aggression.

Therefore, we are bound to remain in Iceland as long as the Axis threatens to unite all of Europe in one vast aggressive empire. Remaining in Iceland, we are bound to hold the seas open as we hold open the seas to all the other American outposts, and if the Japanese government wants their vital communications are attacked, to repel the attack.

The position in the northern creation, and therefore, that a Pacific is no less solidly strong Siberia's vital interest founded Japan in the United States.

Fair Warning to Finns Is Given by Britain

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Reports that Britain had told Finland that if she continued to invade purely Russian territory it would be necessary for Britain to treat Finland as an open enemy now and when peace had come were confirmed in London to-day.

It was added that if Finland ceased fighting and withdrew her troops to her original frontiers as they existed before the Russo-Finnish war, Britain would be ready to see whether relations between the two countries could be improved.

The suggestion of M. Tanner, the Finnish Minister of Commerce, that the Finnish war against Russia could be separated from the war as a whole is not regarded as a possibility in authoritative circles in London.

U.S. Strike Off

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Seafarers' International Union has called off its 11-day strike pending the outcome of negotiations between the ship owners and the National Defence Mediation Board.

Mediation Bears Fruit

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's statement yesterday that merchantmen tied up in ports by labour disputes "have got to move" is apparently bearing fruit. The Seafarers' International Union called membership meetings this morning to discuss the release of 25 tied-up vessels which in the words of the Union leader, Mr. John Hawk, was "the sensible thing to do."

Mr. Hawk advised putting men back on board the ships, releasing the vessels and then "letting the Mediation Board handle the disputes."

Sailors of the Union of the Pacific which had tied up three vessels in the New York harbour, announced that their membership had voted on release of the vessels at 5 p.m. G.M.T.

British Tanks Rushed Out To Aid Red Army

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Throughout Britain tanks are rolling out for Soviet Russia. Hundreds and hundreds are being assembled and armed in a ceaseless flow. All previous records are being smashed.

Women are taking a leading part in this gigantic British effort on behalf of "Tanks For Russia Week."

A Ministry of Supply official told "Reuter" that one large factory in South Wales had already turned out more guns for tanks than was ever believed possible in the time.

Excellent Reports

Reports reaching the Ministry of Supply to-day from factories in all parts of the country show that the tank output for the first three days of the "Tanks For Russia Week" has increased by 50 per cent over the corresponding period of a month ago.

Disturbances In Argentine Move Sponsored By Nazi Elements

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 24 (UPI).—Deputy Raul Taborda to-day charged that the abortive army and air force subversive movement in the Argentine was "another Nazi attempt to seize control of the Government through Quislings."

He said that all bombs and machine-guns have been removed from all military planes. He accused General Juan Molina and Benjamin Menendez with complicity in the movement. At least five air force officers have been arrested.

Senor Taborda stated that only a small section of the air force was involved in the movement.

Mexico City Demonstration

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 24 (UPI).—Authorities are investigating the possibility that Axis elements might have incited the demonstration leading to last night's shooting outside the Mexican President's house in which at least fourteen were killed and fifteen wounded.

Union officials predicted that a crisis may result between the Government and labour.

Death Abroad Of Chinese Envoy Buried at Geneva

GENEVA, Sept. 24 (Central News).—The funeral was held here on Monday of the late Chinese Minister to Poland, Dr. Wang King-ky, who died of cancer last month.

Madame Wang, her son and daughter and leaders of the Chinese community here including the Chinese Minister to Switzerland, Dr. Victor Hoo Shih-tai, the Chinese Judge in the International Court of Justice, Dr. F. T. Cheng, and General Wei Yung-ching who until recently was Military Attaché to Berlin, participated in the ceremony.

The late Minister left Warsaw during the German-Polish war in 1939, travelling by way of Germany, Belgium and France. He was wounded en route during an air raid.

It is learned that Madame Wang and her family are shortly leaving for China via the United States.

Missions In Moscow

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UPI).—The Anglo-American Missions have arrived in Moscow.

Conference Of Allies Adheres To U.S.-British Declaration

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Inter-Allied Conference unanimously affirmed as a common aim that supplies of food and materials will be made available for the post-war needs of the countries liberated from Nazi oppression.

M. Paul Spank, the Belgian Prime Minister, afterwards proposed the following resolution: "The Governments of Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Luxembourg, the U.S.S.R. and Yugoslavia and representatives of General de Gaulle, leader of the Free French, having taken note of the declaration recently drawn up by the President of the U.S.A. and the Prime Minister of Britain, Mr. Winston Churchill, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, now make known their adherence to the common principles of policy set forth in the declaration and their intention to co-operate to the best of their ability in giving effect to them."

Mr Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, explained that the preamble to the resolution made no mention of His Majesty's Government or the Governments of Canada, Australia, the Dominions and South Africa because these governments were already associated with the declaration.

Mr Eden said that the resolution expressed the general aims for which they were fighting. It was his conviction that approval by the Allied Council of the declaration would add greatly to its influence and encourage the Allied forces now gathered together to defeat Germany.

Mr. Joseph Bech, for Luxembourg, said his government gave adherence to the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration.

"To-day the whole world knows that the great English-speaking democracies are jointly pledged to the final destruction of Nazi tyranny."

The declaration had brought renewed encouragement to resistance by oppressed peoples.

Netherlands

Dr. E. N. van Kleefens, the Netherlands Foreign Minister, said that the words "with due respect for their existing obligations" in Point 4 of the Atlantic Charter (dealing with equal access to trade and materials) appeared to be in the nature of reservation.

Existing obligations should not be perpetuated if they would seriously impair or diminish the effect of rule. At the end of the last war the same principle found solemn expression in almost identical terms, he said, when the snowball of protection was set rolling until it became so large that it was a serious obstacle in the path of international trade.

An Earnest Hope

The Netherlands Government expressed the earnest hope to see trade barriers removed and discriminatory treatment in international commerce abolished. A serious effort would be made to that end for the ultimate benefit of all.

Dr. van Kleefens said that on behalf of the Netherlands Government, he was happy to express adhesion to the principles of the Atlantic Charter because it was their conviction that these principles, properly applied, would go far to advance a better international order which would bring to all countries international and national security and prosperity.

"We thank the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of His Britannic Majesties' Government in the United Kingdom for having taken this auspicious initiative," he said.

Poland's Views

The Polish Minister, Count Edward Raczyński, said he hoped the Charter would be fully applied and the activities of certain nations that had taken advantage of present circumstances would not be forgotten.

Poland which was the first victim of the German aggressor and which had still rejected German proposals of collaboration would see that none of the illegal acts perpetrated by the ruthless aggressor would be recognised.

The Polish population which had been removed from the western parts of Poland would return to their homes and the Germans be driven away.

He was confident too, that Poland would not be allowed to emerge from the war with reduced territory but would see that her frontiers assured an economic development worthy of the numbers of her population.

He endorsed very strongly the fundamental principles of the Atlantic Charter.

Pool of Resources

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The duty of all free countries to organise in good time an initial pool of resources for use in the transition from war to peace was stressed by Mr. Anthony Eden at to-day's resumption of the Allied Conference at St. James's Palace, London.

Mr. Eden proposed a resolution dealing with practical steps which must be taken in order to provide for the supply of necessities to occupied countries as soon as the German oppressors had been removed.

It was in order to organise this action that the British Government had invited the Allied Governments and authoritatives to meet there that day. The preliminary work had already been done by a Ministerial Committee on export surpluses.

European Needs

Another Committee under Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, Government Chief Economic adviser, had already begun to enquire into European needs.

The Netherlands Government had taken measures to build a store for their country, and the Polish and Belgian Governments had to prepare preliminary memoranda on their country's estimated requirements.

The Norwegian and Czech Governments were putting in hand preparation of corresponding memoranda.

Mr. Eden said that the framing and co-ordination of the estimates of the probable requirements was the first task. Such estimates must take into account the urgent needs in the first week after the Nazi yoke was lifted.

Re-organisation Period

Such estimates must further take into account the probable demands of European countries for supplies from overseas in order to restore their economies to working order after a period of re-organisation which is likely to last two years after the war.

Mr. Eden said that he would propose provision for the establishment of a bureau which would report to the Inter-Allied Committee under the Chairmanship of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross.

Stocks of certain essential foodstuffs were even now accumulated

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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES**K. Tong's Chance In Second Division****All-Important Match Against Kowloon F.C. On Saturday****Lawn Bowls****Pairs Champions Beaten By Solina And Omar Lack of Practice**

SHOWING a definite lack of practice, H. A. Alves and F. V. Ribeiro, Pairs champions of last year, were eliminated in the quarter-finals of this year's championship when they met S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar at the Kowloon B.G.C. yesterday. The Cragengower pair won by 21-12.

Solina and Omar deserved their victory for they were by far the better pair. The Recreio pair opened the scoring with a single, but the Valley combination scored a four on the 4th end through fine bowling by Omar, and from that moment to the end they were in the lead.

The champions total of 12 included seven singles, a 2 and a 3. This latter was registered on the 20th end, but when the Cragengower pair were in the lead.

Alves and Ribeiro had a bad spell over the middle ends when from the 9th to the 14th Solina and Omar chalked up a total of nine shots to make the score then 17-12.

Scores were:

Solina & Omar	0, 2, 0, 4, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1=21.
Alves & Ribeiro	1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1=12.

Referees' Classes

The final lecture by the Hongkong Football Referees' Association on Rules from Nos. 1 to 17, will be given by Mr. Hugh A. Beard, Chairman, and Lieut. L. G. Crosby, Chairman of the Army Referees' Sub-Committee, at the Scandal Point Hall to-day at 7 p.m. An examination for Army and R.A.F. candidates will be held at the Scandal Point Hall on Monday, September 29 at 7 p.m.

SPORTS ADVT.**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Bages admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21020).

No children or amus will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**NOTICE TO MEMBERS****SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING "GOSFORD HANDICAP"**

Saturday, 27th September, 1941.

In view of the number of entries received for the above it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$1 each, will be held on this race, but "All through" numbers will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, 20th September, 1941.

Pairs Semi-Finals On Sunday

FROM THE POINT OF VIEW of three teams in the First Division and seven in the Third, the League was over when they finished their matches last Saturday. But interest is as keen as ever in respect of the relegation problem in the First Division and the championships of the Second and Third Divisions.

Three teams are in danger of going down into the Second Division, these being Recreio "B", Kowloon B.G.C. "B" and Civil Service C.C.

Of the three, Recreio "B" are in the best position and can only be affected if they lose all five points in their last match of the season against Kowloon C.C. and if the Civil Servants win all five against Kowloon Docks.

The following are the standings of these three teams:

Recreio "B"	7	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Kowloon B.G.C. "B"	17	5	12	0	25/2
Civil Service	17	3	14	0	21/2

THE results of matches in the Second Division last week have ensured an extremely interesting ending to the championship. Kowloon Football Club, the leaders, won 4-1 against Hongkong C.C. and Kowloon Tong, the only team in a position to challenge the leaders, beat Taiwo Docks on all three rinks.

Thus Kowloon Tong are now only two points behind Kowloon F.C., with the match between them to decide the championship. If Kowloon Tong can beat the Footballers by 4-1, they will snatch a last-minute success.

But this match will be decided on the Kowloon F.C. green and it will be a tall order for Kowloon Tong to keep the home side down to only one point. It should prove to be one of the best matches of the season in this division.

IN the Third Division, Kowloon Bowling Green Club kept their noses in front of the Police R.C. by going to Happy Valley last week and beating the guardians of the peace by four points to one.

With the Indians—who were still in the running—taking only half a point from Hongkong Electric, the position in this section is that the Police need only two points in their last game of the season—against Kowloon F.C. at Chatham Road—to clinch the championship. The Indians' best hope of keeping abreast of these two teams was to beat Hongkong Electric by five points to nil. Considering that the Electricians occupy the cellar position in the League Table, the task was not as formidable as some might have imagined. But weakened by the absence of three players, including two regular skips, the Indians were not equal to the occasion.

AS to be expected, Cragengower C.C., the new champions of the First Division, won on all three rinks against Kowloon B.G.C. "B".

Having already won the title, the only interest left for Cragengower in this match was whether U. M. Omar's rink could retain its 100 per cent. record.

Drawn against Jock McKelvie, Omar had to go all out to win and the fact that he had only two shots to spare at the end is sufficient testimony to the fight put up by McKelvie.

Dick Busa, No. 3 to Omar, enjoyed one of his better days in this match and it was due to a great extent to him that the rink kept its record intact.

AT Sookkumpoo, the Indians scored a clean sweep against Kowloon Docks, thus avenging the 4-1 defeat the latter inflicted on them at Hung hom some weeks ago.

The probable winners are:

880 yards free-style.—Chun Chun-nam.

220 yards back-stroke.—W. Lawrence.

150 yards medley.—Ng Nin.

100 breast-stroke.—Miss Li Po-luen.

220 yards free-style.—Miss W. Churn.

However, in the half-mile, the opening event on the programme, Chan Chun-nam, present champion and holder of the record, will have to consider his younger colleagues—Yu Shih-kwan and Lau Tai-ping, especially the former.

They have shown remarkable improvement during the winter, and Yu Shih-kwan has already shown that possible to beat Chan, though that was in the 220 yds free-style heat.

For the men's back-stroke, the heats' times show Lawrence several seconds better than either of his challengers—Poon Wing-kui (Lai Tsun) and A. K. Rumjahn. He should win to-night but there will be a grand battle for second place.

Ng Nin is the undoubted favourite for the men's 100 yards individual medley.—Tsang Cheong-ming (Lai Tsun) the only other entrant for this new event is a formidable opponent, but there is no evading recognition of Ng Nin's superiority in both breast-stroke and free-style races.

Women's Events

NEITHER is there any question on the selected winners for the women's events.

Miss Li Po-luen showed a three-second superiority over the next best time in the breast-stroke heat.

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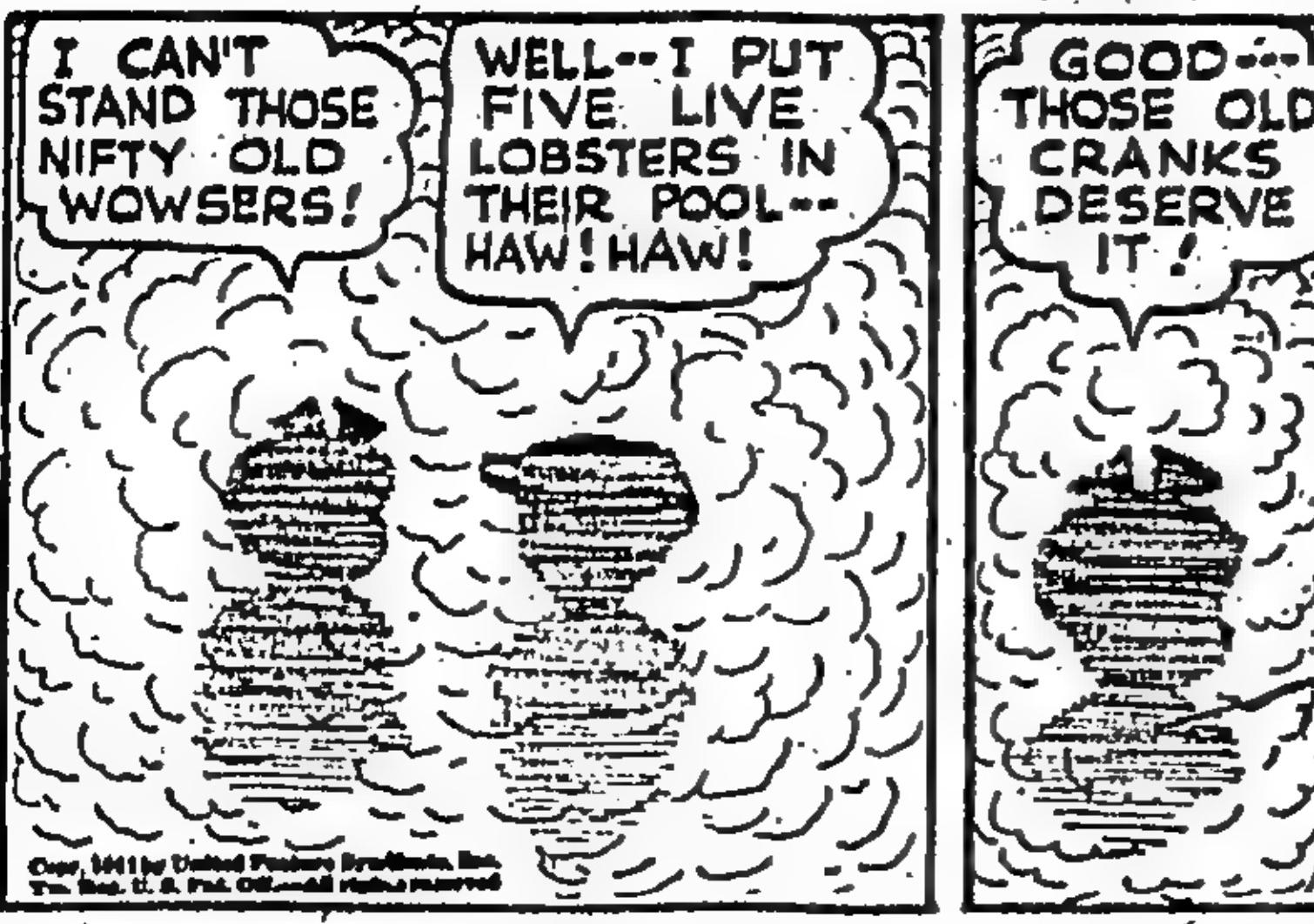
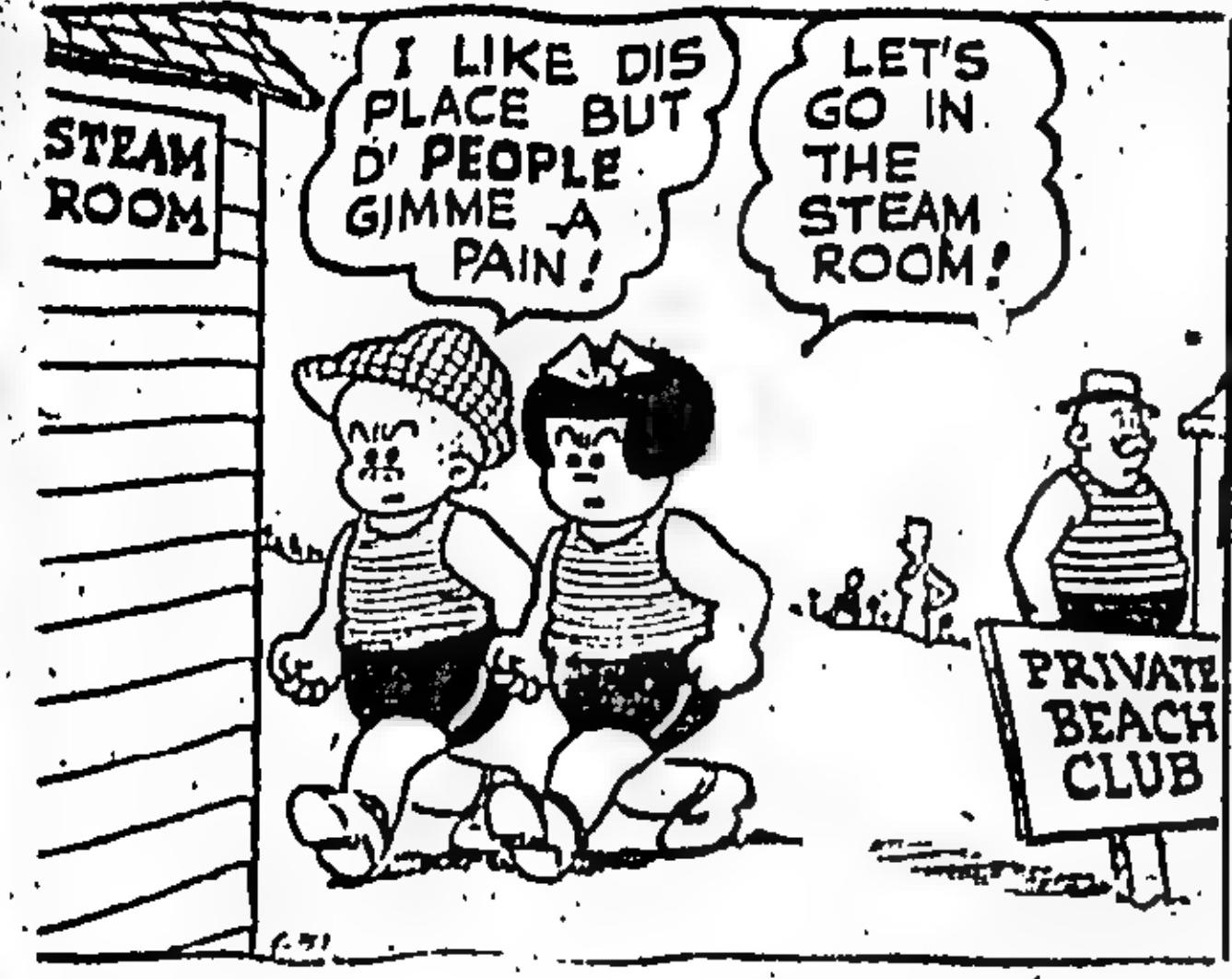
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

British and Russians Fraternise in Teheran

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

TEHERAN, (Delayed).—Outside an uncompleted machine-gun factory in the outskirts of Teheran, where British troops are billeted, British and Soviet troops this morning held a ceremonial parade.

Drawn up facing each other at each end of a large open space, formations saluted both Generals and cheered each other.

The Russians produced an impressive continuous roar like an American college shout lasting half a minute.

At the end of the ceremony, the contingents marched past, the Generals and wheeled into a vast empty work shop where 600 bottles of beer were awaiting.

A Soviet band in white tunics and dark breeches played as the men drank beer.

World's Smartest

The British contingent consisted of detachments of one of the world's smartest regiments, the West Country Yeomanry Regiment, the Gurkhas, Artillery and other regiments, Soviet soldiers included tank troops, mechanised infantry, Infantry and engineers.

British troops have now settled in great comfort in the machine-gun factory building which is almost completed though lacking machinery.

Stroll In City

In the afternoons and evenings, men off duty are allowed to enter Teheran, where amably courteous crowds gather round them as they wander from shop to shop buying minatures made in the great art centre of Isfahan or delicate silks made in Tabriz.

Persians also flock to the city's many beer gardens to which the British troops sit close quarters. The Persians are particularly impressed by the fact that of duty the British troops (except the Gurkhas) carry

Decorations for RAF In Middle East

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Flying Officers who direct Britain's air operations in the Middle East—the Western Desert, the Mediterranean and Iraq—are included in the list of R.A.F. awards issued to-day.

The 112 names include three officers and two non-commissioned officers in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force.

Acting Air Marshal Roy Maxwell Drummond, Deputy Air Officer Commander-in-Chief at Middle East headquarters and Air Vice-Marshal John Henry D'Albion, Air Officer commanding in Iraq, become Commanders of the Bath.

"British Wireless" adds that Air Vice-Marshal A. Coningham, n.s.o., M.C., D.F.C. and A.R.C., born in Brisbane and now A.O.C. of an R.A.F. group in the Middle East, also receives a Companionship of the Bath.

Wing Commander G. E. Sampson, of Brisbane, now engaged in staff duties at the Headquarters of the Fighter Command, receives the O.B.E.

Bordeaux Explosion

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (UP).—According to the Vichy radio a great explosion occurred in a Bordeaux wax factory which destroyed a portion of the building identified as an alcohol factory which was producing synthetic gasoline.

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Paramount Importance Of Production

(BY "REUTER'S" POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Further support to the planks of Members of Parliament that the Government should adopt a more vigorous production policy, is given by editorials which appeared to-day in the leading dailies, "The Times" and "Manchester Guardian."

There is no question that public opinion is deeply stirred on the issue of production but Government are seriously handicapped by conditions of security from being able to reveal to the public anything but a small part of what they are doing and what further plans they have in mind.

Drastic Action Welcomed

The position of Russia, her heroic fight and her growing need of weapons of war has made the issue of production in this country one of the greatest moment. There is no question that the public would whole-heartedly endorse any drastic action that the Government might feel themselves compelled to take to secure the maximum output and any sacrifices and hardships that such a course entailed would be borne willingly and gladly.

The Government are by no means deaf to the entreaties that have been made to them but their desire is to attain with a minimum of dislocation the target of production at which they have aimed.

Further Steps

There is every reason to believe that further steps are contemplated by the Government in the use of the extraordinary powers conferred on them by Parliament in the early days of their existence, more especially in regard to women.

Large numbers of women are required by the Auxiliary Territorial Service so that fit men can be released for fighting and it would cause little surprise in political circles if a measure of compulsion is enforced, especially among the younger women who are not doing work of national importance.

Heavy Responsibility

Over the whole field of national effort, the Government have a heavy responsibility to discharge but their task has been made easier by the fact that never before has there been such unity of purpose among the people.

Many dark and anxious times may still lie ahead but if the Government, conscious only of the need for victory, act with boldness, firmness and decision, they will have the unquestioned support of the nation.

Order Invoked

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Government announces that the "essential work" order will soon be applied to the 200 "nucleus" mills in the cotton spinning industry.

Under the order, no employee is able to leave his employment or be dismissed without official permission, and—for the first time—operatives will receive guaranteed weekly wage rates.

This is the first time that the order has been invoked in a "concentrated" industry. It does not apply to the manufacturing section of the trade.

For some months labour shortage in the spinning mills has been increasing owing to operatives being called up for military service or leaving for munitions factories.

Wheat For India

BOMBAY, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government of India are considering the reduction of import duty on wheat at the earliest possible moment.

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Sympathy For Swiss Shown By Britain

But Precautions Taken

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It is officially stated in London that "In view of the commercial agreement recently signed between Switzerland and Germany, the British Government are no longer able to continue the limited facilities hitherto accorded for passage through the blockade and across enemy territory of materials for Swiss industry."

The Government, however, appreciate the difficulties of Switzerland's position and will continue to give facilities within reasonable limits for import into Switzerland of food-stuffs and fodder and of certain other goods exclusively destined for domestic consumption."

Official quarters declared that the move was not an act of retaliation but simply recognition of the state of affairs which exists through no fault of the Swiss or of Britain.

It is believed that the Swiss understand the position.

Major Baseball

Brooklyn Dodgers Win Again

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (UP).—Brooklyn Dodgers maintained their lead over St Louis Cardinals in the National Baseball League to-day, inflicting a 4-2 defeat on Boston Braves, while the Cardinals beat Pittsburgh Pirates 4-0.

Scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE		
St. Louis	11	E
Battery—Gurley; Mancuso	4	0
Pittsburgh	12	0
Battery—Lanning; Sewell	0	1
Baker	1	0
Battery—Higby; Casey; Owen	2	1
Boston	8	1
Battery—Tobin; Berres; Mast	2	1
Cincinnati	0	0
Battery—Lanfranconi; Rush	6	2
Schefner	1	0
Cincinnati	2	0
Battery—Walters; Lombardi	1	0
New York	10	1
Battery—Schumacher; Odia	1	0
Philadelphia	7	0
Battery—Johnson; Grissom; F. Mellon	2	0
New York	10	0
Battery—Sunnell; Marinaro	0	2
Philadelphia	1	0
Battery—Lambert; Beck	1	0
Livingston; Warren	0	1

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Philadelphia	2	1
Battery—Marchildon; Shirley	1	0
New York	12	3
Battery—Dugan; Silvestri	7	13
Detroit	10	0
Battery—Newsome; Sullivan	1	0
St. Louis	3	0
Battery—R. Harris; Ferrell	7	0
Boston	11	1
Battery—Wagner; Peacock	7	0
Washington	4	3
Battery—Leonard; Anderson	11	1
Evans	11	1
Boston	11	1
Battery—H. Newsome; Pytlak	4	11
Washington	2	0
Battery—Mulligan; Evans; Bolton	0	2

THE semi-finals and the final, there will be a lapse of four weeks.

The wisdom of this may be questioned, particularly as there seems to be no reason for delay. Why not get it over with?

Leading players in the competition are well spread out in the second round of the open singles. There are a few exceptions, notably A. J. Hall v. R. Basa, and R. F. da Luz v. F. X. M. da Silva.

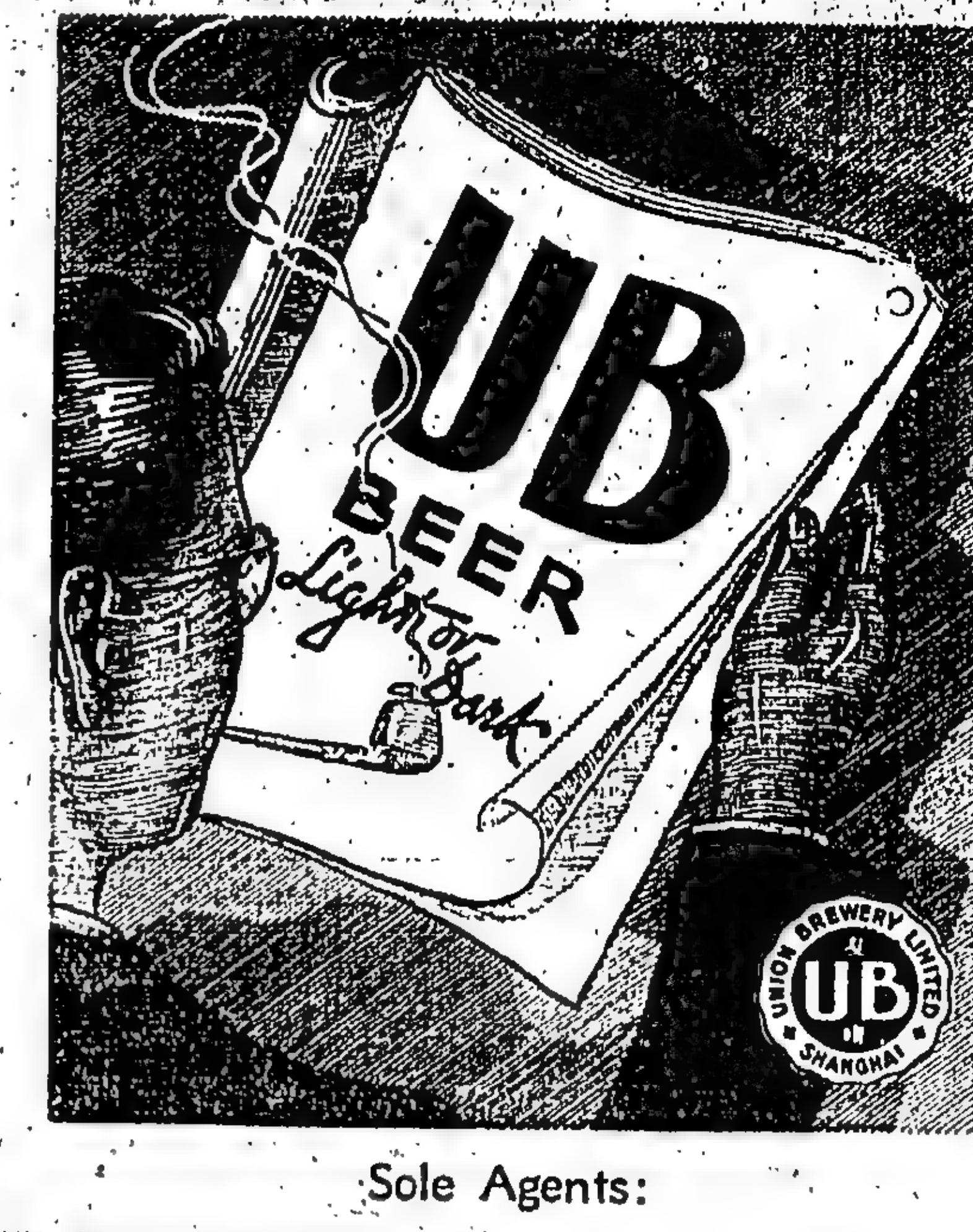
M. N. Rakusen, holder of the title, has been drawn against N. A. E. Mackay and should get through to the third round fairly comfortably.

Extermination Of Badly Wounded Nazis Alleged

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Moscow Radio, in English to-day

stated that doctors in the German Army hospitals have had instructions to put to death badly wounded men for whom there is no hope of returning to the ranks.

The question is decided, in each particular case by the head doctor of the hospital, said the radio announcer.



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Britain's Superlative Fighter

Outclasses Germans

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters)—London's new fighter planes, Mark II Hurricanes, not only have vastly superior fire-power to the famous earlier model but are superior to also the latest German single-seater, the new Messerschmitt 109F1/2.

This Nazi plane has only one large calibre gun—a 15-millimetre Mauser. The Mark II Hurricanes have four 20-millimetre cannon. Their alternative armament is 12 machine-guns; the Mark I Hurricane had only eight machine-guns.

The fire-power developed by either of the new armaments is obviously superior to that of the single gun on the German plane apart from the fact that the British cannon, having a larger calibre, is capable of greater penetration and general destructive power by virtue of its higher muzzle velocity and larger mass with the ability to carry a more useful explosive charge.

Added to this is the fact that the Mark II is equipped with the new Merlin engine with a two-speed super-charger giving it a much higher ceiling, a better rate of climb and a greater top speed.

Bail Of \$10,000 For Chinese

Wong Ku-wah, 22, Manager of Nanking Drug Store, was charged before Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning with breach of Defence Regulations by making false declarations on export licences, on six occasions.

Defendant—war-alleged—to have used the term "Quinine tablets made in Java" for the goods which were really Atberin tablets made in Germany on five export permits, on September 14, and "Vita Spennin Ampo made in Shanghai" for Phasinquinine tablets made in Germany on one export licence on September 17.

Det-Sgt J. Johnston who prosecuted, stated that Mr C. A. Sutherland Russ would appear for defendant who was remanded for 24 hours on bail of \$10,000.

P. I. DEFENCE BILL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (UPI)—Filipino circles in Washington understand that the \$64,000,000 Philippines Defence Bill may be introduced in the House of Representatives and in the Senate on Thursday and expect little difficulty in obtaining speedy action.

Hunan Battle Reaches Crisis

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". CHUNGKING, Sept. 24 (UPI)—Military circles say that the Hunan battle reached its most critical stage to-day with the Chinese and Japanese locked in very bitter fighting between Hsiangyin and Pingkiang.

The outcome of this fighting will decide the fate of Changsha.

Gayda's Warning To Roosevelt

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". ROME, Sept. 24 (UPI)—Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda, warns President Roosevelt that any warning of American merchant ships will be met by counter measures by the Axis.

He declared: "United States merchant ships are going to be transformed into war craft and take an aggressive attitude which necessitates defence measures by Axis ships if they meet them on the sea routes."

Survivors Rescued

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". NEW SMYRNA, Fla., Sept. 24 (UPI)—A coast guard rescue boat arrived here to-day with thirteen survivors of a small freighter which is burning on the Florida coast. The name of the vessel or its nationality is not known. The boat was seen yesterday by a naval patrol bomber and the survivors were picked up in a life boat 35 miles at sea. They included a woman and two children.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N. E. S. W.	Contents in sq. feet.	sq. feet.	Ann. Rent. per year.	Upset Price.
Inland Lot No. 634.	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road.	as per sale plan.	57,900 feet feet feet	7,914 7,914 7,914	4524 4524 4524	\$174 \$174 \$174	\$2,835.00

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$2,835.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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SECOND GERMAN OFFENSIVE ON MURMANSK FRONT HALTED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, SEPT. 24 (UP).—THE SEVEN DAY BATTLE IN THE DIRECTION OF MURMANSK ENDED TO-DAY WITH THE COMPLETE COLLAPSE OF THE SECOND GERMAN OFFENSIVE, ACCORDING TO A DISPATCH TO THE NEWSPAPER "RED STAR." IN ONE SECTOR THE ENEMY DEAD NUMBERED 2,000. THE DISPATCH ADDED, "THE STUBBORN RESISTANCE OF OUR TROOPS AND THEIR CRUSHING COUNTER-ATTACKS; THE SEVERE LOSSES AND THE COLD WHICH IS SETTING IN IN THE NORTH ARE DRIVING THE FASCISTS TO DESPAIR."

The offensive was launched early in September with picked German troops who were transferred from Norway, consisting of S.S. battalions and several Alpine regiments who were ordered to take the vital ice-free port at any cost.

The Russian counter-attack halted the advance and compelled the Germans to take up defensive positions.

A telephone dispatch from Leningrad reported to-day that the Russians trapped a panzer column which surrendered after a short battle in which one German General was killed, 117 officers and men captured, and 20 damaged and 16 undamaged tanks taken which will now be used by the Red army.

BITTER FIGHTING REPORTED

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Activity on the Odessa front has again increased. Bitter fighting is going on in the neighbourhood of Kherson for a point called "N" which Soviet troops hold.

The enemy has flung in more reserves but the Soviet forces have thrown back the Germans after a bloody struggle in which 1,500 enemy corpses were left piled up in tank traps.

Terrific Battle For Leningrad

Russian and German Reports

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters).—The terrific struggle for Leningrad and the ebb and flow of the opposing armies was described to-day in both Berlin and Moscow broadcasts.

The Germans, in claiming the capture of a "fair-sized" town, refer to hard house-to-house fighting before the city and the "tenacious resistance" of the city's defenders.

which adds that all attacks were repulsed.

Fleet Air Arm

The effective work of the Soviet Fleet Air Arm finds a place in today's Soviet broadcast. A supplement to the Soviet communiqué states that the Soviet Built Fleet Air Arm during Monday brought down 13 enemy planes and destroyed ten more on enemy aerodromes.

At the approaches to Leningrad, Soviet Fleet Air Arm bombers destroyed two German anti-aircraft batteries, 11 anti-aircraft and machine-gun emplacements, 14 armoured cars and eight guns.

The Black Sea Fleet Air Arm destroyed 11 enemy planes on their aerodromes.

The supplement also refers to bold attacks on German troops by a guerilla detachment commanded by a schoolmaster operating in the Odessa district.

Battalion Planes In Action

VICHY, Sept. 24 (Reuters).—"Squadrons" of British planes are now participating in the defence of Leningrad, according to a Stockholm dispatch to a Vichy news agency.

With the aid of British aircraft, the dispatch says, the Russian Air Force has caused serious losses to the Germans. The Russian Fleet is also helping the Leningrad defenders.

German movement on this front has been greatly hampered by rain, and in addition the nights are intensely cold.

On the former Estonian Islands of Dese and Dagoe, Russian troops are still fiercely resisting attacks by Nazi planes, paratroopers and infantry.

Battering At Leningrad

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (UP).—An authorised German military spokesman to-day claimed that Field Marshal

At "Point N" Soviet troops hold well-prepared defensive positions. The enemy, without sparing men, launched one attack after another and once pierced the Soviet first line defences. The Soviet Command threw in reserves and forced the Germans out.

News published in the "Red Star" throws down the German claim to have already reached Perekop on the Isthmus and to have isolated the Crimea. The "Red Star" does not state exactly how far from Kherson the battle is in progress. Kherson itself stands on the high right bank of the Dnieper 20 miles from the mouth and is one of the largest cities on the Dnieper. The region may be called the orchard of the Ukraine, producing the finest grapes and peaches.

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MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Anglo-American Missions have arrived in Moscow.

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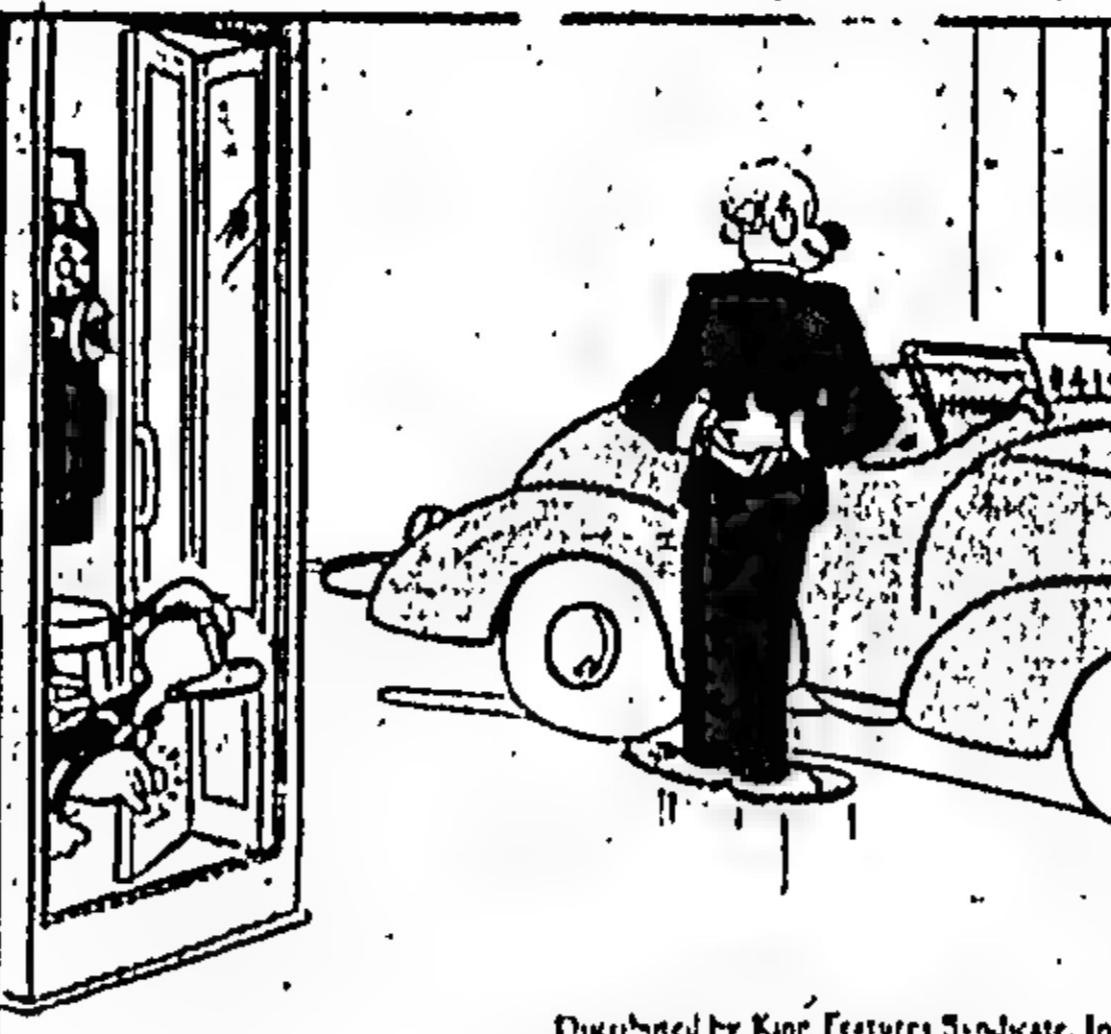
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"DEAR Mrs Culbertson: Speaking of bridge partners, if we must, I really must tell you about what happened to me last night on the following hand:

"South dealer.
"Both sides vulnerable.

♦ 9 5
10 10
0 J 7 6 5 4
♦ J 7 6 4

▲ K J 10 6
4 ♦ N
7 8 2
0 9 8 2
♦ 10 5 8

♦ 7 2
0 K Q
♦ A Q 8

"I sat North with that terrible mess. The bidding gaily proceeded:
South West North East
1 ♦ Pass Pass INT
2 ♦ Pass Pass Pass
3 ♦ Pass Pass DBL.
Pass Pass Pass

"Obviously, my dear partner cared nothing about my pass to one heart; he was sure he could take nine tricks all by himself!

"West opened the spade jock. East won with the ace and returned the queen and eight. Declarer ruffed and led the king of diamonds. East won and led back a diamond. Now, instead of leading low to the heart, ten, thereby insuring against two heart losers, declarer cashed the ace and king, probably hoping to drop the queen and ninth. Disappointed in this, and awaking to the probability that, considering East's bidding, the suit would not break, dear partner now shifted to the club queen. East won and made a return for which declarer should have been very grateful, namely, a diamond. But did my partner grasp the chance?

"To-morrow's Hand
♦ K 7 4
0 K 8 4
♦ Q J 10 7 4
♦ Q 7
♦ J 10 9 8
N W E S
8 5 2
0 9 6 3
♦ 10 5 2
♦ K 0 4

"West opens the spade jack against three notrump. What card should declarer play and why?

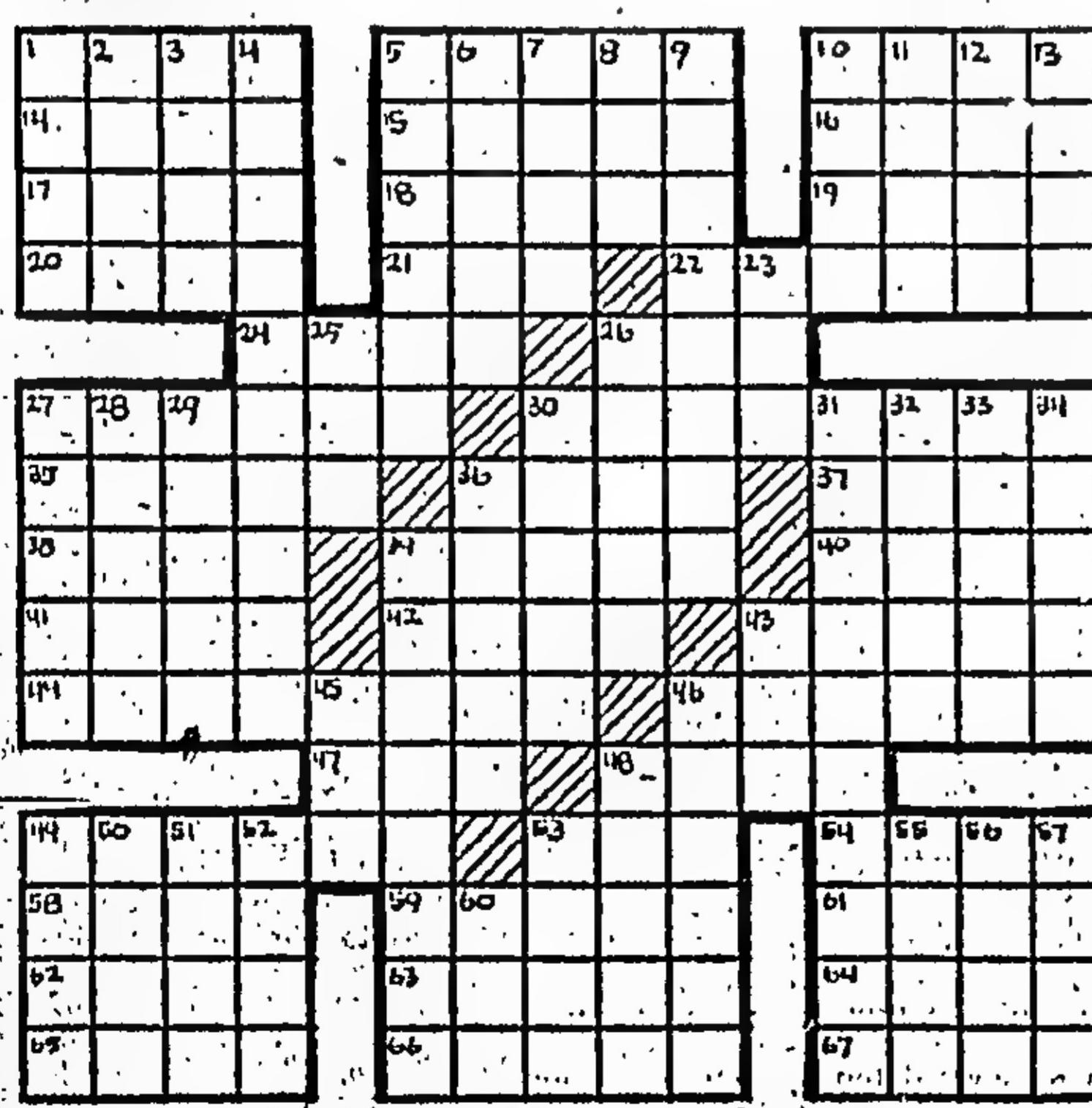
"I'm afraid I don't know the answer to J.F.G.'s question, and any other comment by me would be redundant."

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1 Chinese dynasty	2 Russian name
15 Duck in mud	3 Water lizard
16 Monumental figure	4 Pairing
17 Peacock	5 Place for skating
18 Kind of power	6 Component of steel
19 Name of woods of dog's forest	7 Devoid of heat
20 Vehicles of war	8 Christians
21 Particles far	9 Child's name
22 Writing fluid	10 Disclosing
23 Outspokenness	11 Discloses to view
24 Scandinavian country	12 Elocution
25 Basis of decimal	13 Glare
26 Vending	14 Disclosed arch
27 Small dog	15 Disclosed
28 Particular	16 Disclosed
29 Look after	17 Disclosed
30 Fastened device	18 Disclosed
31 Particular device	19 Disclosed
32 Coversings for feet	20 Common laborer
33 Holes before events	21 Open and candid
34 Utter gaspingly	22 Wheel rims
35 Environment beside river	23 Windy rain
36 Meetings of court	24 Medieval freeman
37 Name of ship	25 Northern
38 Drinking utensil	26 Northern
39 Drink little by little	27 Northern
40 Excavation of considerable extent	28 Electrified particle
41 Give speech	29 Linen
42 Give out	30 Type of head
43 One who rules	31 Metal
44 Governor of Maryland	32 Metal opening in
45 Carries	33 Metal
46 Take	34 Metal
47 Driveway car	35 Metal
48 General killed in late Spanish war	36 Metal or alkalies
49 Large rodent	37 Particular article



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**Conference Of Allies Adheres
To U.S.-British Declaration**

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Inter-Allied Conference unanimously affirmed as a common aim that supplies of food and materials will be made available for the post-war needs of the countries liberated from Nazi oppression.

M. Paul Spaak, the Belgian Prime Minister, afterwards proposed the following resolution: "The Governments of Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Luxembourg, the U.S.S.R. and Yugoslavia and representatives of General de Gaulle, leader of the Free French, having taken note of the declaration recently drawn up by the President of the U.S.A. and the Prime Minister of Britain, Mr Winston Churchill, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, now make known their adherence to the common principles of policy set forth in the declaration and their intention to co-operate to the best of their ability in giving effect to them."

Mr Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, explained that the preamble to the resolution made no mention of His Majesty's Government or the Governments of Canada, Australia, the Dominions and South Africa because these governments were already associated with the declaration.

Mr Eden said that the resolution expressed the general aims for which they were fighting. It was his conviction that approval by the Allied Council of the declaration would add greatly to its influence and encourage the Allied forces now gathered together to defeat Germany.

Czechoslovakia

M. Jan Masaryk, the Czech Foreign Minister, accepting the resolution on behalf of Czechoslovakia, said that the Czechoslovaks who escaped Hitler and were enjoying the hospitality of Britain were stirred by the meeting of President Roosevelt and Mr Churchill. The eight points were equally important in their political and economic significance. They were the correct process in achieving a better world for our children after the final victory.

Small Nations

Any hope of agreement with Nazi Germany and vulgarizing goose-stepping Prussianism was futile dream. Only the destruction of this could establish peace that all men in all lands would live out their lives in freedom from fear and want. Even when the total disarmament of nations who periodically resorted to aggression to attain political aggrandizement was accomplished, the defensive position of nations who, like Czechoslovakia, had long been victims of aggression, would have to be considered.

Mr Masaryk continued, "Within the future economic structure of the world as outlined by the Churchill-Roosevelt Declaration, small nations like Czechoslovakia, by access to their fair share of raw materials, will be given an opportunity as equals to reconstruct in co-operation with their neighbours quickly and permanently their devastated economic life. The Czechoslovak government are more than ever convinced that the closer co-operation becomes between Britain and America the greater will be the future safety of those who to-day have taken up arms against the common foe."

Help For Russia

Mr Masaryk hoped that the co-operation would be particularly quick in giving all possible assistance to Soviet Russia.

On behalf of Greece, Mr Tsouderos approved the resolution.

Mr Joseph Beck, for Luxembourg, said his government gave adherence to the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration.

To-day the whole world knows that the great English-speaking democracies are jointly pledged to the final destruction of Nazi tyranny."

The declaration had brought renewed encouragement to resistance by oppressed peoples.

Netherlands

Dr E. N. van Kleffens, the Netherlands Foreign Minister, said that the words "with due respect for their existing obligations" in Point 4 of the Atlantic Charter (dealing with equal access to trade and materials) appeared to be in the nature of reservation.

Existing obligations should not be perpetuated if they would seriously impair or diminish the effect of rule. At the end of the last war the same principle found solemn expression in almost identical terms, he said, and they all knew what became of it when the snowball of protection was set rolling until it became so large that it was a serious obstacle in the path of international trade.

An Earnest Hope

The Netherlands Government expressed the earnest hope to see trade barriers removed and discriminatory treatment in international commerce abolished. A serious effort would be made to that end, for the ultimate benefit of all.

Dr van Kleffens said that on behalf of the Netherlands Government, he was happy to express adhesion to the principles of the Atlantic Charter because it was their conviction that these principles, properly applied, would go far to advance a better international order, which would bring to all countries international security and prosperity.

"We thank the President of the

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North Hunan**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CHUNGKING, Sept. 24 (UP).—Severe fighting is going on in North Hunan along the south shore of the Min River.

It is said that the Japanese troops

who are joining in the present attack

are those which invaded Chungking

100,000 strong. The land troops are

assisted by heavy artillery and tanks

as well as naval landing forces who

are trying to storm Chungking from

the north by land and from the

northwest across Tungting Lake.

Thus far, the Japanese troops are

still 50 miles north of Chungking

which has been a searched earth city

since 1938 and which, according to

Chinese military authorities, com-

pletely lacks any military value.

**Full Preparedness
For Philippines**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (UP).—In an interview with the "United Press" to-day, Representative Warren Manganon of the House Naval Affairs Committee said that he favoured bringing the Philippines to the fullest point of preparedness in view of the uncertain situation in the Pacific.

He asserted that he would support a \$50,000,000 fund for strengthening the defences of the Commonwealth and similar measures.

**Ex-Shah Leaving
For Argentine**

TEHERAN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The ex-Shah has left Kerman in the direction of Bandar Abbas and is to pass through India on his way to the Argentine, according to an Iranian news agency.



For Indian Soldiers

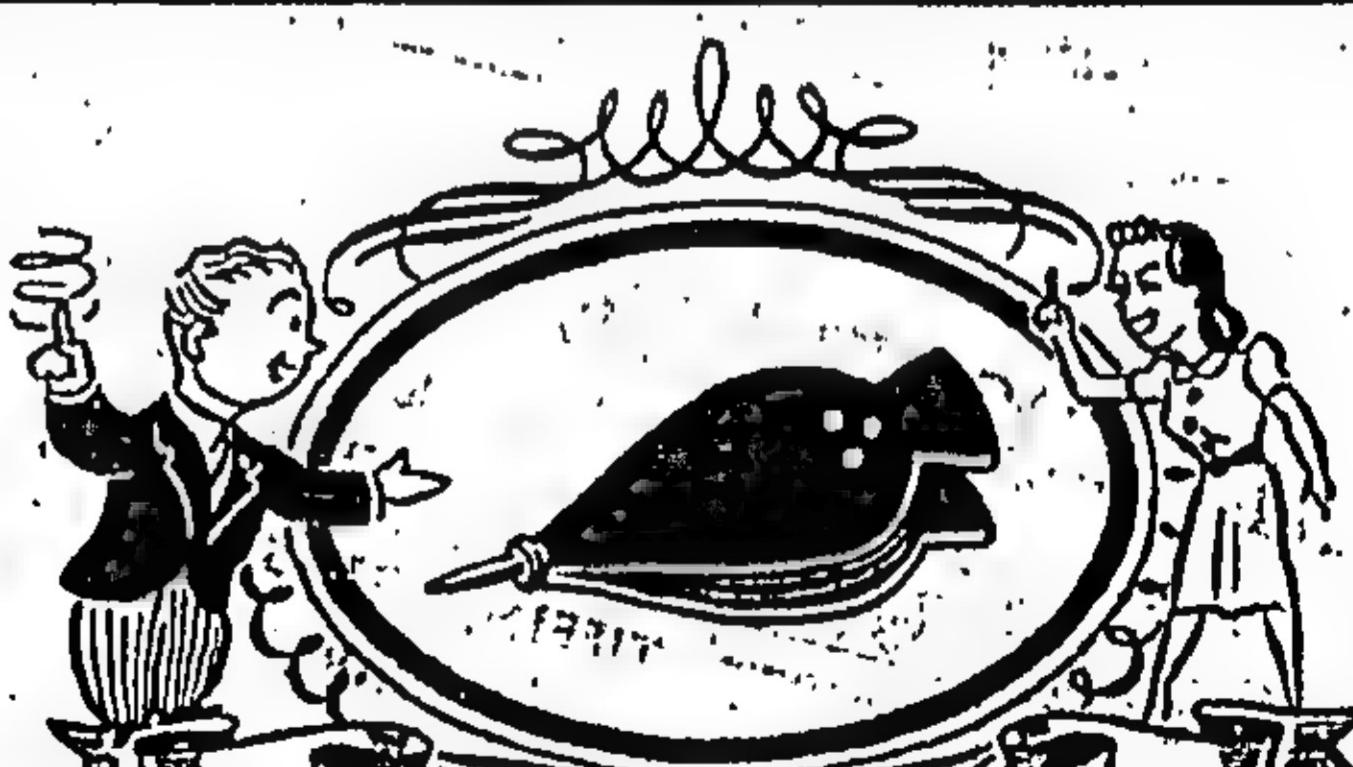
Members of the local Indian Community will be interested to know what welfare work is being done for Indian soldiers in the Colony. During the current year, \$3,500 has been sent for their benefit by the Indian Government.

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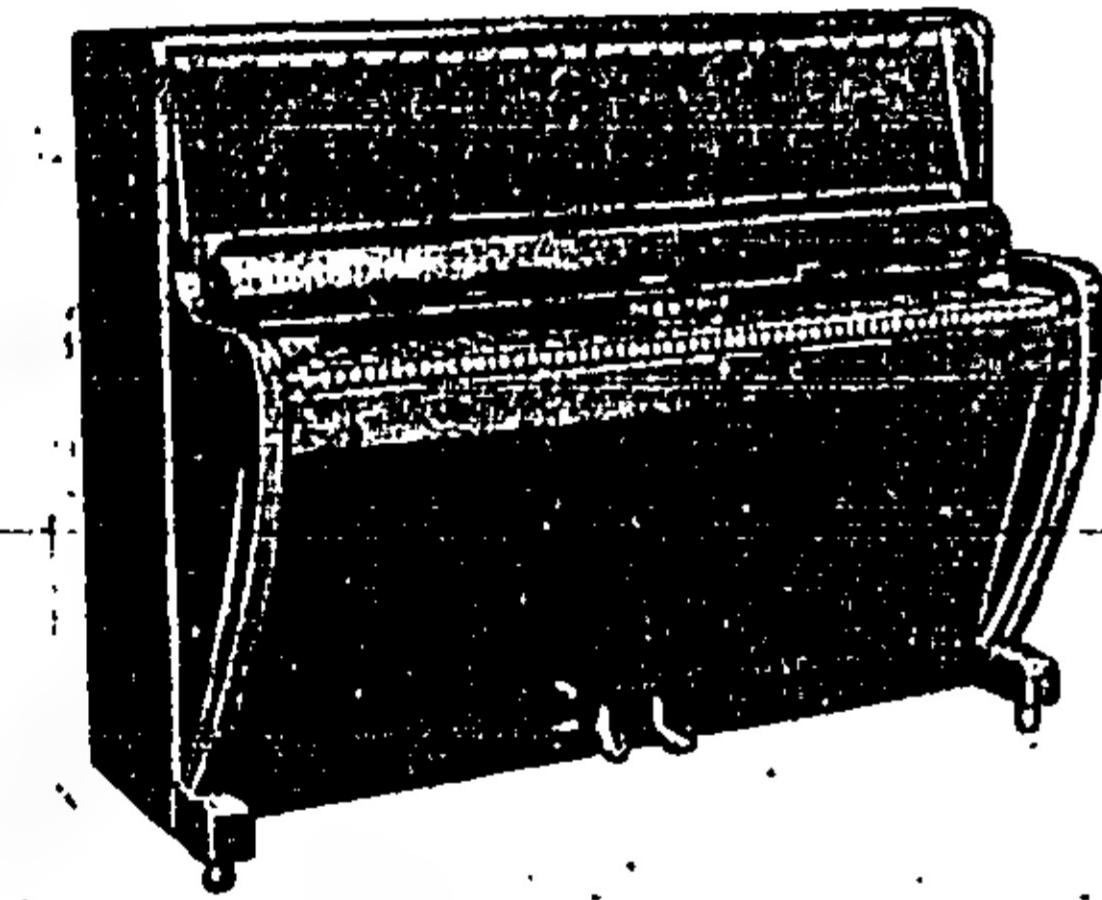


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GENTLE REMINDER

LETTERS from Home, the regular calling up of women and men of advanced ages, pictures like "The Ramparts we Watch", the daily newspaper reports each telling of so many persons who have given their lives for a Cause: these must spasmodically give the Hongkong conscience a painful twinge. Isolated as we are, literally an outpost of Empire, Hongkong has so far escaped all but the minor nuisances of warfare. The war that is ravaging China has left our borders intact; the war that Britain is waging for life and death has not tapped our man-power or depleted our tables. We pay a little more and we get what we have always had: the best that the Far East can offer. Volunteers chasing under a monotonous routine have not the satisfaction of knowing that we are actively defending a vital link in the Empire chain: ours is but a listening post, a profitable door that must be kept open so long as it pays, a prestige port, a nerve that will warn the huge body of the approach of danger.

Hongkong people have read with something like amazement of elderly parents out on fire-spotting duty all night or giving manual service to defence works. The contrast is often painful. It makes our own grievances seem rather small.

Secluded as we thus are from actual hostilities we can yet throw ourselves more heartedly into our mission here: keeping ourselves as strong as we can to throw a big stumbling block into the path of any aggressor; contributing as lavishly as possible to the war and cultivating the goodwill of China. But it must be conceded that our ways are largely ordered by the Government. Hongkong must be kept a going concern and our job is to obey orders.

Meanwhile "Ramparts we Watch" touched more emotions than pockets; the Bomber Fund has been sluggish lately. It does not seem that Hongkong is fully showing its gratitude for being left in peace by giving generously to those who are fighting our war, both Chinese and Europeans. It would not be impudent to repeat what was previously advocated: Give

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would check the measurement taken down by the man on-duty.

George Tsang would check the work done by each man the previous night?—Yes.

With that information, the morning report would be written out, is that it?—George Tsang would not check until after I have put it on the morning report.

So the morning report was prepared from your report, not from George Tsang.—That is so.

If you purposely put down in the morning report more work done than had been done, the workmen would get more pay?—We cannot do that.

We cannot measure more work done than what had actually been done because there is a plan.

What was that?—We were never so dishonest as to measure more than the actual work done.

The sub-contractors pay the workers daily wages, don't they?—Or that, I have no idea.

The sub-contractors are paid according to the length of tunnel they excavate, so much per foot?—That I don't know. It is the work of the No. 1 foreman.

DOESN'T KNOW ARRANGEMENTS

You don't know what the arrangements with the contractors are?—I don't know.

WHICH OF THESE SMALL BOOKS

WITNESS SORTED OUT A NUMBER OF

BOOKS AND SAID: THESE BOOKS ARE NOT ENTERED UP IN REGULAR FORM EXCEPT FOR THIS ONE (PRODUCED). IN THE TOP PART, IT CONTAINS THE CONTRACTED WORK WHICH SHOWS HOW MANY WORKMEN ARE EMPLOYED BY THE SUB-CONTRACTORS AND THE LOWER PORTION SHOWS HOW MANY WORKMEN ARE EMPLOYED BY KIN LEE.

THE CHALMERS: WE WANT THE BOOKS WHICH CONTAIN THE NUMBERS OF THE SUB-CONTRACTORS' WORKMEN.

WITNESS LOOKED THROUGH THE PILE OF BOOKS AND PRODUCED THE REQUIRED ONES.

ANOTHER BOOK ALSO WAS PRODUCED WHICH SHOWED ENTRIES FROM JULY 17, 1941 TO DATE OF NUMBER OF WORKMEN EMPLOYED IN THE IMPROVEMENT IN TUNNEL SHIFTING OR SAND, ETC. AT SITE NO. 4.

CHAIRMAN TO WITNESS: WHO IS THAT?

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK BUILDING, SECOND FLOOR.

WITNESS: MR. BUCHANAN EMPLOYED BY MARSMAN'S OR BY THE P.W.D.?—BY THE P.W.D. BUT HIS OFFICE IS IN THE BANK BUILDING.

SO YOU TOOK KIN LEE'S VOUCHERS TO MR. BUCHANAN'S OFFICE AT MARSMAN'S PREMISES?—YES.

READS CHINESE FIGURES

BUT A LOT OF THESE VOUCHERS ARE IN CHINESE?—YES.

DOES MR. BUCHANAN READ OR WRITE CHINESE?—I KNOW THAT HE CAN ONLY READ CHINESE FIGURES.

SO YOU HAD TO TRANSLATE ALL THESE DOCUMENTS TO HIM?—YES.

THAT TOOK SOME TIME, I PRESUME?—YES.

WHILE YOU WERE DOING THIS WONDERFUL WORK, WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE OFFICE AT HUNGTHON?—GEORGE TSANG.

YOU LEFT THE NO. 1 FOREMAN IN CHARGE?—CORRECT.

SUPPOSING OTHER CONTRACTORS' BILLS CAME IN WHILE YOU WERE AWAY, WHAT WOULD HAPPEN?—GEORGE TSANG WOULD DO IT AND HE WOULD KEEP ALL THE VOUCHERS UNTIL I RETURNED, WHEN THEY WOULD BE HANDED OVER TO ME.

ACCORDING TO YOU, YOU TOOK GREAT PAINS AND TROUBLE TO EXPLAIN EACH SINGLE VOUCHER TO MR. BUCHANAN, WHETHER IT WAS IN CHINESE OR ENGLISH?—CORRECT.

YOU HAVE ALREADY TOLD US WHY YOU FAILED TO PUT YOUR INITIALS ON SEVERAL OF THE VOUCHERS IN THE OFFICE BECAUSE YOU SAID YOU FORGOT.—THAT WAS THE ONLY REASON.

"I CANNOT ANSWER"

WHEN YOU WENT THROUGH THE VOUCHERS AT SUCH LENGTH WITH MR. BUCHANAN, YOU MUST HAVE SEEN THAT YOUR INITIALS WERE NOT ON THEM. WHY DID YOU NOT PUT THEM IN THEN?—I CANNOT ANSWER.

HAVE YOU HAD ANY OCCASION WHEN CHECKING OFF THE VOUCHERS TO REFUSE TO PASS ONE BECAUSE THE AMOUNT WAS TOO HIGH OR THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH IT?—ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS.

WITNESS: THEY ARE THE SAME BOOKS AS BROUGHT BY THE PREVIOUS WITNESS?—YES.

HAVE YOU ANY MORE ATTENDANCE BOOKS TO PRODUCE?—THAT IS THE ONLY ATTENDANCE BOOK WE HAVE.

WE WILL FIND IN THOSE BOOKS EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR WORK SINCE THE WORK STARTED?—YES.

DO YOU SIGN YOUR NAME UNDERTHAT WHEN YOU MAKE ENTRIES?—YES.

CHENG FUNG-TUNG, FOREMAN EMPLOYED BY THE WATERWORKS OFFICE OF THE P.W.D., WHO WAS EXAMINED YESTERDAY, WAS RECALLED.

THE CHAIRMAN ASKED: YOU HAVE HERE ALL THE SO-CALLED VOUCHERS SUBMITTED BY KIN LEE WITH A SUMMARY OF THE AMOUNTS ON WHICH THEY RECEIVED THEIR MONEY FROM GOVERNMENT. YOU TOLD US YESTERDAY WHEN I ASKED IF YOU HAD CHECKED ALL THESE VOUCHERS AND YOU SAID YOU BELIEVED YOU DID NOT MISTAKE ANY.

WITNESS: YES.

THE VOUCHERS WERE PRODUCED FOR THE WITNESS TO EXAMINE. THESE VOUCHERS DID NOT BEAR WITNESS INITIALS.

THE CHAIRMAN: WHAT EXPLANATION HAVE YOU TO OFFER FOR THAT (THE OMISSION OF INITIALS ON THE VOUCHERS)?—I HAVE FORGOTTEN TO INITIAL.

WE CAN UNDERSTAND YOUR DOING THAT ON ONE OR TWO OCCASIONS, BUT WHAT WE CANNOT UNDERSTAND IS WHY YOU FAILED TO INITIAL ON HUNDREDS OF OCCASIONS. WHAT EXPLANATION HAVE YOU FOR THAT, WAS IT BECAUSE YOU WERE TOO BUSY?—I HAVE SIMPLY FORGOTTEN.

DID NOT PERFORM DUTIES

YOU ADMIT THAT YOU DID NOT PERFORM THE DUTIES FOR WHICH YOU WERE PAID?—I ADMIT THAT, Sir, I HAVE FORGOTTEN TO SIGN AND THAT WAS A MISTAKE.

YOU ARE PAID TO CHECK OFF THESE VOUCHERS, ARE YOU NOT?—THAT IS SO.

YOU ARE THE GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE IN THE KIN LEE OFFICE TO LOOK AFTER THE INTEREST OF GOVERNMENT BY CHECKING OFF THE VOUCHERS THEY SUBMIT FOR WORK DONE?—YES, THOUGH I HAVE FORGOTTEN TO INITIAL, BUT I HAVE CHECKED EVERYONE OF THESE VOUCHERS.

IF YOU WENT TO THE TROUBLE OF CHECKING, WHY DIDN'T YOU ALSO DO THE TROUBLE OF PUTTING YOUR INITIALS ON THEM?—I DON'T KNOW.

DO YOU KEEP ANY BOOKS?—YES.

CAN'T YOU FIND OUT FROM BOOKS WHAT YOUR CAPITAL IS?—I HAVE MANY CONTRACTS.

ALL THE MORE REASON WHY YOU OUGHT TO KNOW WHAT YOUR CAPITAL IS NOW?—I CANNOT SAY UNTIL I HAVE

CHECKED EVERYONE OF THESE VOUCHERS.

IF YOU WENT TO THE TROUBLE OF CHECKING, WHY DIDN'T YOU ALSO DO THE TROUBLE OF PUTTING YOUR INITIALS ON THEM?—I DON'T KNOW.

DO YOU HAVE A FINGER ACCOUNT?

EVEN IF THAT WAS SO, WHY WAS IT NECESSARY FOR KIN LEE TO MEASURE UP FIRST OF ALL?—THE WORK WAS MEASURED AND THEN PAID UP THE AMOUNT PAID

TO YOU.

DO YOU KNOW GEORGE TSANG, THE NO. 1 FOREMAN?—YES.

IS HE THE MAN THAT CHECKS UP YOUR WORK TOO?—YES.

HE ALSO CHECKS KWONG WING AND CO'S WORK?—YES.

AND THE UNION EXPRESS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY?—I DON'T KNOW.

AND MR AH TING?—I DON'T KNOW.

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT YOURSELF AND KWONG WING?—YES.

HAVE YOU GOT A MOTOR CAR?—YES.

WHAT IS THE NUMBER?—I HAVE TWO MOTOR CARS, ONE IS NO. 599 AND THE OTHER NO. 60.

HOW MUCH DID YOU PAY FOR EACH?—I PAID A LITTLE OVER \$200 FOR NO. 599, AND I HAVE BEEN USING IT FOR MANY YEARS. NO. 60 COST ME \$700.

DO YOU EVER ALLOW GEORGE TSANG TO USE YOUR CAR?—YES.

DO YOU EVER ALLOW ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT FOREMAN TO USE IT?—NOT TO USE IT, BUT THEY WERE GIVEN LISTS.

LISTS FOR FOREMEN

YOU GIVE ALL GOVERNMENT FOREMEN LISTS, DO YOU?—NO, THERE WAS ACCOMMODATION FOR ONLY TWO OR THREE PEOPLE.

YOU USED TO GIVE THE GOVERNMENT FOREMAN SUPERVISING THE JOB YOU WERE DOING A LIST IN YOUR CAR?—SOMETIMES, FOR CONVENIENCE, AS WHEN GOING OUT TO INSPECT THE WORK.

DO YOU EVER ALLOW YOUR CAR TO TAKE GEORGE TSANG TO HIS RESIDENCE AT THE Y.M.C.A.?—I DON'T KNOW.

DO YOUR CHAUFFEUR EVER TELL YOU?—MY FOREMAN DRIVES MY CAR.

DO HE EVER TELL YOU THAT HE USED TO DRIVE GEORGE TSANG HOME?—NO.

ARE YOU SURPRISED TO HEAR THIS?—I BELIEVE THAT SOMETIMES HE DID USE MY CAR WHEN IT WAS GOING IN THE SAME DIRECTION.

SO BY A STRANGE COINCIDENCE YOUR CAR USED TO PASS HIS HOUSE AND GEORGE TSANG USED TO USE IT!—I KNOW VERY LITTLE ABOUT MY CAR. MY FOREMAN USED IT MOSTLY.

FOR PRIVATE USE

I WILL TELL YOU WHY YOU KNOW SO LITTLE ABOUT YOUR CAR. I AM SUGGESTING TO YOU THAT YOUR CAR WAS FOR THE SOLE PRIVATE USE OF GEORGE TSANG.

THAT IS NOT SO.

AND THAT HE WAS SEEN SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE THE COMMISSION SAT, BUT NOT SINCE DRIVING IN KOWLOON IN YOUR PRIVATE CAR.

AND THAT YOU AND YOUR FRIEND KWONG WING ALLOW THIS TO BE DONE SINCE GEORGE TSANG WOULD NOT PERFORM HIS DUTIES WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN A SATISFACTORY MANNER?—NO.

ARE YOU ALSO A SUB-CONTRACTOR FOR TUNG SHAN AND CO.?—YES.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A SUB-CONTRACTOR THERE?—I HAVE BEEN DOING WORK FOR THEM FOR SEVERAL YEARS PAST.

DO YOU KNOW THE PARTNERS OF TUNG SHAN AND CO.?—NO.

YOU DON'T KNOW WHO THE PARTNERS ARE?—HOW CAN I TELL.

YOU KNOW THE VALUE OF THE CONTRACT YOU GOT FROM CHUNG SHAN?—I MUST LOOK THIS UP.

Fair Warning to Finns Is Given by Britain

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Reports that Britain had told Finland that if she continued to invade purely Russian territory it would be necessary for Britain to treat Finland as an open enemy now and when peace had come were confirmed in London to-day.

It was added that if Finland ceased fighting and withdrew her troops to her original frontiers as they existed before the Russo-Finnish war, Britain would be ready to see whether relations between the two countries could be improved.

The suggestion of M. Tanner, the Finnish Minister of Commerce, that the Finnish war against Russia could be separated from the war as a whole is not regarded as a possibility in authoritative circles in London.

Death Abroad Of Chinese Envoy

Buried at Geneva

GENEVA, Sept. 24 (Central News).—The funeral was held here on Monday of the late Chinese Minister to Poland, Dr Wang King-ki, who died of cancer last month.

Madame Wang, his son and daughter and leaders of the Chinese community here, including the Chinese Minister to Switzerland, Dr Victor Hoo Shih-tsai, the Chinese Judge in the International Court of Justice, Dr F. T. Cheng, and General Wei Yung-ching, who until recently was Military Attaché to Berlin, participated in the ceremony.

The late Minister left Warsaw during the German-Polish war in 1939, travelling by way of Germany, Belgium and France. He was wounded en route during an air raid.

It is learned that Madame Wang and her family are shortly leaving for China via the United States.

Vichy Says British Sink French Ship

VICHY, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Vichy news agency announces that British bombers attacked and sank the French cargo steamer Moncelet on Saturday in the Gulf of Gabes off the coast of Tunisia.

All her crew were rescued.

The agency adds that the Moncelet which carried a cargo of phosphates, caught fire after being hit by three bombs.

Strong Protest

VICHY, Sept. 24 (UP).—The French Government is protesting strongly to London against the sinking of the Moncelet. The protest is based on three points; firstly, that the Moncelet was transporting phosphates which is not contraband of war; secondly, that she was navigating in French waters; thirdly, that the French tricolor was plainly visible and therefore no mistake was possible.

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8.0 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—"Listening Post."

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 A Ketelbey Programme.

9.0 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 Studio—"Tonight We Present".

A Record Review arranged by John Abbott.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 Berlioz—"King Lear" Overture, Op. 4.

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

10.0 London—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Short Piano Recital by Arthur Rubinstein.

Evocacion (Albeniz); Cordoba (Albeniz); Navarra (Albeniz).

10.30 Paul Robeson (Bass) and The Boston Promenade Orchestra.

11.0 London—"War Correspondent."

11.15 Close Down.

Bulgaria Denies Bellicosity

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—All is quiet in Bulgaria, declared the Bulgarian Minister of the Interior, M. Grabowski, addressing foreign journalists in Sofia to-day, states a Sofia dispatch to the official German news agency.

The Minister stressed that as a partner in the Three-Power Pact, Bulgaria stood on the side of the Axis Powers politically and ideologically.

He denied American reports that in the near future Bulgaria would enter the war against the Soviet Union, establish a protectorate in the Crimea, control the Black Sea and participate in the exploitation of the Caucasian oil wells.

Bulgaria, he added, had no aggressive intentions against anyone and was not being pressed from any quarter.

Baseless Fabrication

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, Sept. 24 (UP).—It is reliably learned that the Bulgarian authorities have evacuated the Turkish population from the village of Jemool, situated near a large military aerodrome near the Turkish frontier, and have filled up the village with munitions and fuel stores.

The "New York Times" has stated that the German ultimatum to Bulgaria is a baseless fantasy.

Enemy Ships Sunk By Sub.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A British submarine has torpedoed an enemy transport and a supply ship of about 1,500 tons each in the Central Mediterranean, according to an Admiralty communiqué this afternoon.

The supply ship is believed to have been sunk and the transport was later seen to be on fire.

Some U.S. Marines Leave Tientsin

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TIENTSIN, Sept. 24 (UP).—The United States Marine establishment here has been reduced by more than half by the departure on the transport Henderson for Cavite and the United States with approximately 50 Marines. A small detachment likewise proceeded to Peking leaving less than 50 men at Tientsin.

The question is decided in each particular case by the head doctor of the hospital, said the radio announcer.

Extermination Of Badly Wounded Nazis Alleged

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Moscow Radio in English to-day stated that doctors in the German Army hospitals have had instructions to put to death badly wounded men for whom there is no hope of returning to the ranks.

The question is decided in each particular case by the head doctor of the hospital, said the radio announcer.

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Disappearance Mystery Of British Attache's Wife

Special to the "Telegraph"

PEIPING, Sept. 24 (UP).—Mystery continued to surround the disappearance of the beautiful and popular Japanese-born Aiko, wife of Mr Denzil H. Clarke, Press Attaché of the British Embassy. She has been missing since she left a lady friend's house last Saturday. Her husband and the British Embassy are making every possible effort to find her and have also appealed to the Japanese authorities; however, thus far they have not been able to obtain the slightest clue.

The British Consul, Mr A. A. L. Tuson told the "United Press" that he is convinced that Mrs Clarke has been kidnapped, and he believes that her disappearance is closely linked with an extremely libellous article, published in the Japanese daily newspaper "Tao Shimpou" on September 12 in which Mrs Clarke was severely criticised for behaving in a manner causing pain to patriotic Japanese. The article also made other fantastic allegations. The British Embassy requested the Japanese newspaper to publish a retraction but have so far failed to obtain satisfaction.

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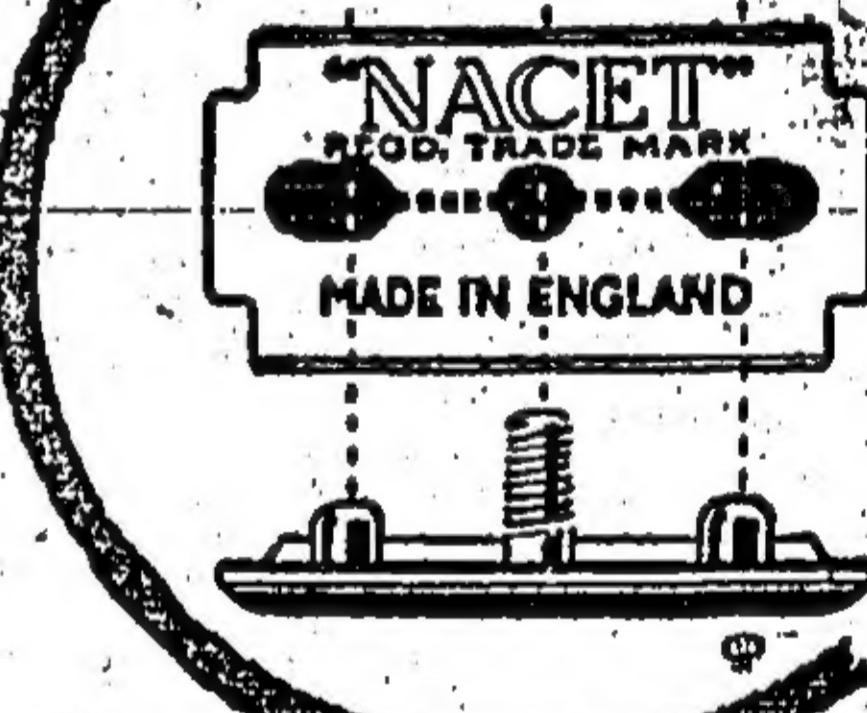


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Japanese Move Against Siberia is Forecast

Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, Sept. 24 (UP).—The newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" to-day predicted that with the loss of Kiev, the Japanese will be launching an offensive against Siberia very soon.

It asserted that all the Japanese northern offensives in history since the invasion of Korea in 1592 have been undertaken in the winter time. The first Russo-Japanese Siberian expedition in 1918 was in winter, and the occupation of Manchuria in 1931 was carried out in the same season.

The reasons for the winter campaigns on the northern mainland include the fact that the freezing of all rivers in Manchuria permit Japanese cavalry and artillery to move freely.

The establishment of General Yamada's hordes completes the preparations for a push north and the recent protest regarding the Soviet mines and the sinking of Japanese fishing boats provides the best prelude to a Russo-Japanese clash.

Refinery In Flames

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WHITING, Ind., Sept. 24 (UP).—Fire is raging in the 700 acre refinery of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, and flames are shooting

100 feet into the air.

The fire broke out in two tanks this morning and the intense heat prevents the approach of the fire fighters to within several hundred feet.

One Man Killed

WHITING, Indiana, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—All available firemen and police were rushed to the scene after an explosion and fire occurred in the Standard Oil Company factory here.

One man has been reported killed and several injured.

The fire spread to over a dozen oil storage tanks in the region almost a mile long. Concern was expressed over the possibility that an "agitation plant," which is the storage place for highly volatile fuels, may explode.

The flames were visible for miles before they were brought under control.

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"Hawkins, did Lord Henry empty crème de menthe amongst my goldfish in the course of last night's party?"

"Not to my knowledge, Sir. There was no crème de menthe to empty."

"Then I must have dreamt it. A vivid dream, Hawkins, because your noses all turned red."

"Undoubtedly a dream, Sir, since I took the precaution of evacuating the bowl to my pantry when Lord Henry began to sing."

"Very wise of you, Hawkins."

"Were many glasses broken?"

"None, Sir."

"No casualties to any of the guests?"

"No, Sir. And judging from the amount of Rose consumed, there will be no headaches this morning either. We got through six and a half bottles of Rose's Lime juice."

"Well, it's all in a good cause. And now, get me a really big breakfast. And give the goldfish a double ration of ants' eggs, just to celebrate their hairbreadth escape."

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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES**K. Tong's Chance In Second Division****All-Important Match Against Kowloon F.C. On Saturday**

Lawn Bowls

Pairs Champions Beaten By Solina And Omar**Lack of Practice**

SHOWING a definite lack of practice, H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, Pairs champions of last year, were eliminated in the quarter-finals of this year's championship when they met S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar at the Kowloon B.G.C. yesterday. The Cragengower pair won by 21-12.

Solina and Omar deserved their victory for they were by far the better pair. The Recreio pair opened the scoring with a single, but the Valley combination scored a four on the 4th end through fine bowling by Omar, and from that moment to the end they were in the lead.

The champions total of 12 included seven singles, a 2 and a 3. This latter was registered on the 20th end, but when the Cragengower pair were in the lead,

Alves and Ribeiro had a bad spell over the middle ends when from the 10th to the 14th Solina and Omar chalked up a total of nine shots to make the score then 17-4.

Score here:

Solina & Omar	0	2	0	4	1	0	1	0	1-21.
Alves & Ribeiro	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	0

Referees' Classes

The final lecture by the Hongkong Football Referees' Association on Rules from Nos. 1 to 17, will be given by Mr Hugh A. Beard, Chairman, and Lieut. L. G. Crosby, Chairman of the Army Referees' Sub-Committee, at the Scandal Point Hall to-day at 7 p.m. An examination for Army and R.A.F. candidates will be held at the Scandal Point Hall on Monday, September 20 at 7 p.m.

SPORTS ADVT.**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21220).

No children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**NOTICE TO MEMBERS****SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING
"GOSFORD HANDICAP"**

Saturday, 27th September, 1941

In view of the number of entries received for the above it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$1 each will be held on this race, but "All through" numbers will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,
S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1941

Pairs Semi-Finals On Sunday

FROM THE POINT OF VIEW of three teams in the First Division and seven in the Third, the League was over when they finished their matches last Saturday. But interest is as keen as ever in respect of the relegation problem in the First Division and the championships of the Second and Third Divisions.

Three teams are in danger of going down into the Second Division, these being Recreio "B", Kowloon B.G.C. "B" and Civil Service C.C.

Of the three, Recreio "B" are in the best position and can only be affected if they lose all five points in their last match of the season against Kowloon C.C. and if the Civil Servants win all five against Kowloon Docks.

The following are the standings of these three teams:

Team	P.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Recreio "B"	17	5	12	0	25/2
Kowloon B.G.C. "B"	17	4	13	0	23/2
Civil Service	17	3	14	0	21

THE results of matches in the Second Division last week have ensured an extremely interesting ending to the championship. Kowloon Football Club, the leaders, won 4-1 against Hongkong C.C. and Kowloon Tong, the only team in a position to challenge the leaders, beat Tai Kok Docks on all three rinks.

Thus Kowloon Tong are now only two points behind Kowloon F.C., with the match between them to decide the championship. If Kowloon Tong can beat the Football Club 4-1, they will snatch a last-minute success.

But this match will be decided on the Kowloon F.C. green and it will be a tall order for Kowloon Tong to keep the home side down to only one point. It should prove to be one of the best matches of the season in this division.

In the Third Division, Kowloon Bowling Green Club kept their noses in front of the Police R.C. by going to Happy Valley last week and beating the guardians of the peace by four points to one.

With the Indians—who were still in the running—taking only half a point from Hongkong Electric, the position in this section is that the Police need only two points in their last game of the season—against Kowloon F.C. at Chatham Road—to clinch the championship. The Indians' best hope of keeping abreast of these two teams was to beat Hongkong Electric by five points to nil. Considering that the Electricians occupy the cellar position in the League Table, the task was not as formidable as some might have imagined. But weakened by the absence of three players, including two regular skips, the Indians were not equal to the occasion.

AS to be expected, Cragengower C.C., the new champions of the First Division, won on all three rinks against Kowloon B.G.C. "B".

Having already won the title, the only interest left for Cragengower in this match was whether U. M. Omar's rink could retain its 100 per cent record.

Drawn against Jock McKeown, Omar had to go all out to win and the fact that he had only two shots to spare at the end is sufficient testimony to the fight put up by McKeown.

Dick Basa, No. 3 to Omar, enjoyed one of his better days in this match and it was due to a great extent to him that the rink kept its record intact.

AT Sookunpoo, the Indians scored a clean sweep against Kowloon Docks, thus avenging the 4-1 defeat the latter inflicted on them at Hung-hom some weeks ago.

Taking charge of a rink for the second time, D. M. Khan was again the most successful skip on the home side. He was given good support by his front men, all of whom were having the better of their opposite numbers.

As a result Fred Cullen had an unavoidable job.

A. K. Minu just scraped through by three shots against A. Colman, while M. R. Abbas' rink—the same four who are in the final of the open championship—had to score on the last four heads to win by two shots.

Malcolm Ferguson played a splendid game against Abbas, settling down to the green almost at once.

It was good to see Bob Craig turning out once again. Considering that he had been out of the game for so long, Craig—he used to play for the Kowloon C.C.—was quite good in his drawing to the jack although the heaviness of the Sookunpoo green found him short on a few occasions.

NOTICE that arrangements for

playing off the rink final have

not yet been made. It is reported that the Sub-Committee have decided to hold the match in abeyance and that it will probably be played off within the next fortnight or so.

As it is already a fortnight since

the semi-finals were played, this

means that the finalists are to be

left kicking their heels about for a month.

Between the quarter-finals and

the semi-finals there was a lapse

of five weeks and now between

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Enid Wilson's Eye Injured In Air Raid

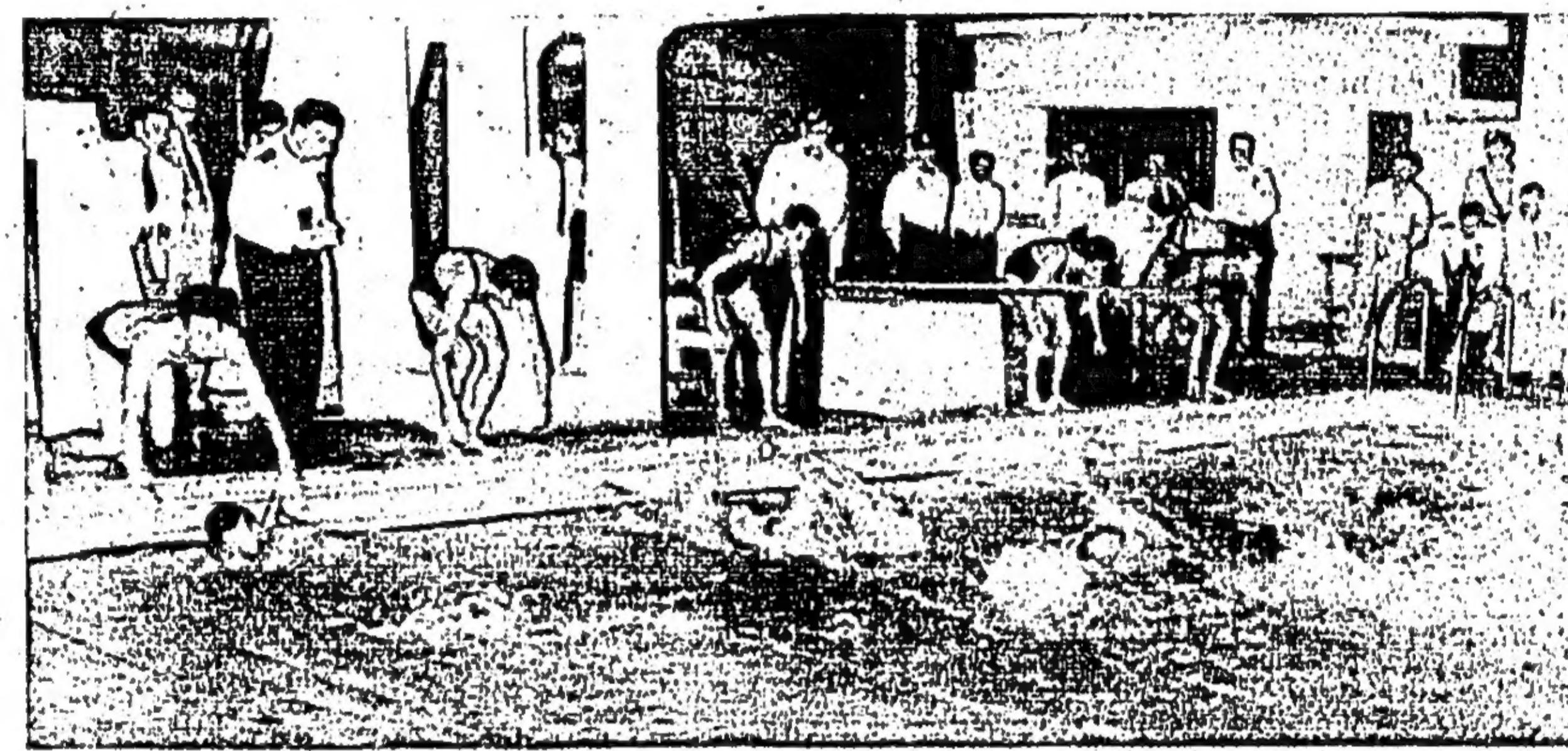
Miss Enid Wilson, former woman golf champion, now serving as an officer in the W.A.A.F., has had her left eye injured in a recent air raid.

Although the extent of the injury gives cause for anxiety, the doctors hope that by treatment sight will be fully restored to this eye.

Volunteers Aquatic Meet

Top: The women's relay—Nursing Detachment v. A.R.P. Miss K. Grant taking off for the A.R.P. with Miss I. Grant tapping, and to the right, Miss M. Booker being sent away by Mrs Mills for the Nursing Detachment.

Below: Second lap of the Volunteers Inter-Unit medley relay. W. S. Gegg (S/Units), D. Hutchinson (Mobile Column), T. Kew (Static Machine Guns), Marques (Portuguese Coy) and Young Yuk-wa (Artillery) taking over from the back-stroke men.—Ming Yuen.

**Colony Swimming Championships Commence To-night****Three New Events On First Day's Programme**

(By "Tinker")

CLOSE upon the heels of the Hongkong Chinese Swimming Championships are the Colony Championships, the first events of which are being held this evening at the Victoria Recreation Club pool.

The five events are the Men's 880 yards free-style, 220 back-stroke and 150 yards medley, and the women's 100 breast-stroke and 220 free-style.

and though the 220 yards free-style is a new event for which heats were not necessary, Miss Churn is well up to the mark and is not likely to be headed.

But in Miss C. Gutierrez and Miss Ho Wai-ling there is talent, too, and even if they are unable to make the pace with Miss Churn, they should have a very good race between them for second place.

Championship events

This evening's Championship programme consists of the following:

Men's 880 yards free-style championship—Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun), Yau Sal-kwan (Lai Tsun), Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun), Chiu Wing-tao (Sung Tao) and Yu Shih-kan (Chinese Y.M.C.A.). Record holder Chan Chun-nam, 11 mins 15 3/5 secs, 1940.

Men's 100 yards breast-stroke championship—Miss Ng Shui-lin (L.I.K. and K. Residents' Union), Miss Li Po-juen (holder) (U.P. University), Miss Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun), Chiu Wing-tao (Sung Tao) and Miss Ko Mi-ling (Lai Tsun). Record holder Miss Li Po-juen, 63 secs, 1940.

Men's 220 yards back-stroke championship—Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun), Poon Wing-kei (Lai Tsun), A. K. Rumjahn (V.H.C.), A. V. Lopez (V.R.C.) and W. Lawrence (V.C.C.). New events.

Women's Fancy-diving (Metric Board)—Miss J. Anderson (V.R.C.) and Miss J. Ng (C.B.C.). New event.

Junior men's 50 yards freestyle championship—Miss V. Churn (U.P. University), Miss Lily Sadie (Lai Tsun), Miss Ko Mi-ling (Lai Tsun), Miss Ho Wai-ling (C.B.C.) New event.

Men's 150 yards individual medley—Ng Nin (Sung Tao) and Tsang Cheong-ming (Lai Tsun). New event.

V.R.C. Events

The following V.R.C. events will also take place:

Junior Members' 50 yards breast-stroke championship—Alves and L. Viera.

Boys' 220 yards free-style handicap (12 and under)—Members, 100 yards, free-style, handicap.

Junior Women's 88 yards free-style championship—Miss J. Wong, Miss M. Yip, Miss V. Remondos, Miss V. Yip and Miss V. Remondos.

Junior Members' 80 yards back-stroke championship—Miss M. Gorano, Miss V. Remondos, Miss V. Yip and Miss V. Remondos.

Boys' 150 yards medley handicap.

Cambridgeshire Candidates At Newmarket

NEWMARKET, Sept. 24 (Reuter)—The Swaffham Stakes over a mile and two furlongs was expected to provide a good test for several of the Cambridgeshire horses, but for various reasons the field was one of only four runners, two of which have entered for the big race.

The race was won by Mrs James Beaustie, filly by Bold Archer out of Orama, trained by Colling and ridden by Ephraim Smith.

The other Cambridgeshire candidate, Dindique, Mr Vlasto's colt by Blandford out of Dulce, was third. Prince Aly Khan's Annanton by Titterton out of Antonina was second, beaten by a head, four lengths separating second from third.

The betting was 5-2 Beaustie, 4-6 Annanton and 100-8 Dindique.

Beaustie was second in the Thousand Guineas.

Hole-in-One

Playing over the Relief Course at Fanling on Tuesday evening, C. Mather hit the third hole in one.

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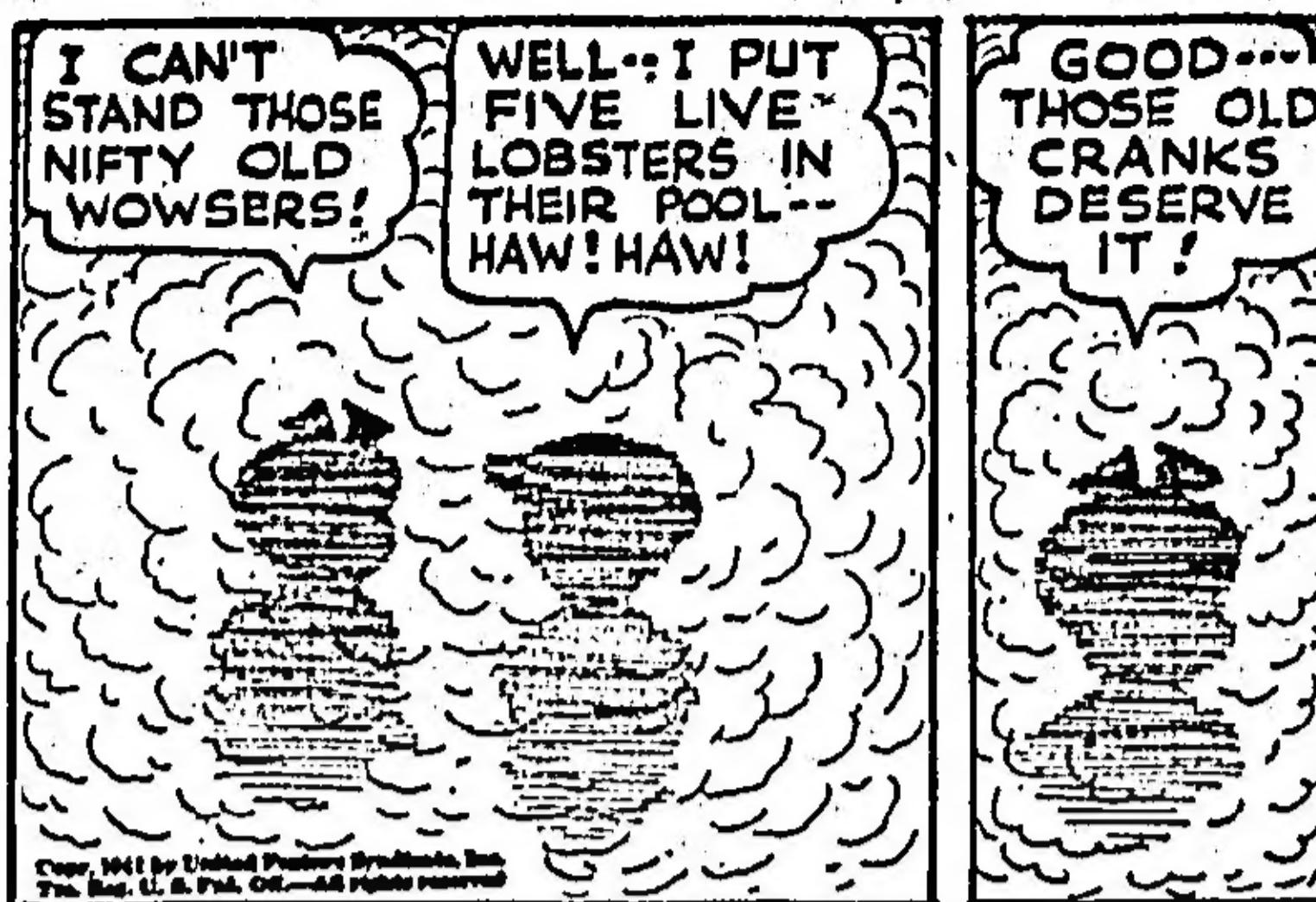
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By Ernie Bushmiller

**British and Russians Fraternise in Teheran**

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

TEHERAN, (Delayed).—Outside an uncompleted machine-gun factory in the outskirts of Teheran, where British troops are billeted, British and Soviet troops this morning held a ceremonial parade.

Drawn up facing each other at each end of a large open space, formations saluted both Generals and cheered each other.

The Russians produced an impressive continuous roar like an American college shout lasting half a minute.

At the end of the ceremony, the contingents marched past the Generals and wheeled into a vast empty work shop where 600 bottles of beer were awaiting.

A Soviet band in white tunics and dark breeches played as the men drank beer.

World's Smartest
The British contingent consisted of detachments of one of the world's smartest regiments, the West Country Yeomanry Regiment, the Gurkhas, Artillery and other regiments. Soviet soldiers included tank troops, mechanised infantry, infantry and engineers.

British troops have now settled in great comfort in the machine-gun factory building which is almost completed though lacking machinery.

Strikes In City

In the afternoons and evenings, men off duty are allowed to enter Teheran where amably curious crowds gather round them as they wander from shop to shop buying miniatures made in the great art centre of Isfahan or delicate filigree made in Tabriz.

Persians also flock to the city's many beer gardens to watch the British troops at close quarters. The Persians are particularly impressed by the fact that off duty the British troops (except the Gurkhas) carry

Decorations for RAF In Middle East

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—

Flying Officers who direct Britain's air operations in the Middle East, the Western Desert, the Mediterranean and Iraq—are included in the list of R.A.F. awards issued to-day.

The 112 names include three officers and two non-commissioned officers in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force.

Acting Air Marshal Roy Maxwell Drummond, Deputy Air Officer Commander-in-Chief at Middle East headquarters and Air Vice-Marshal John Henry D'Albion, Air Officer commanding in Iraq, become Commanders of the Bath.

"British Wireless" adds that Air Vice-Marshall A. Coningham, D.S.O., M.C., D.F.C. and A.F.C., born in Brisbane and now A.O.C. of an R.A.F. group in the Middle East, also receives a Companionship of the Bath.

Wing Commander G. E. Simpson, of Brisbane, now engaged in staff duties at the Headquarters of the Fighter Command, receives the O.B.E.

Bordeaux Explosion

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (UP).—

According to the Vichy radio a great explosion occurred in a Bordeaux war factory which destroyed a portion of the building identified as an alcohol factory which was producing synthetic gasoline.

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Paramount Importance Of Production

(By "REUTER'S" POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Further support to the plans of Members of Parliament that the Government should adopt a more vigorous production policy, is given by editorials which appeared to-day in the leading dailies, "The Times" and "The Manchester Guardian."

There is no question that public opinion is deeply stirred on the issue of production but Government are seriously handicapped by conditions of security from being able to reveal to the public anything but a small part of what they are doing and what further plans they have in mind.

Drastic Action Welcomed

The position of Russia, her heroic fight and her growing need of weapons of war has made the issue of production in this country one of the greatest moment. There is no question that the public would whole-heartedly endorse any drastic action that the Government might feel themselves compelled to take to secure the maximum output and any sacrifices and hardships that such a course entailed would be borne willingly and gladly.

The Government are by no means deaf to the entreaties that have been made to them but their desire is to attain with a minimum of dislocation the target of production at which they have aimed.

Further Steps

There is every reason to believe that further steps are contemplated by the Government in the use of the extraordinary powers conferred on them by Parliament in the early days of their existence, more especially in regard to women.

Large numbers of women are required by the Auxiliary Territorial Service so that all men can be released for fighting and it would cause little surprise in political circles if a measure of compulsion is enforced, especially among the younger women who are not doing work of national importance.

Heavy Responsibility

Over the whole field of national effort, the Government have a heavy responsibility to discharge but their task has been made easier by the fact that never before has there been such unity of purpose among the people.

Many dark and anxious times may still lie ahead but if the Government, conscious only of the need for victory, act with boldness, firmness and decision, they will have the unquestioned support of the nation.

Order Invoked

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Government announces that the "essential work" order will soon be applied to the 200 "nucleus" mills in the cotton spinning industry.

Under the order, no employee is able to leave his employment or be dismissed without official permission, and—for the first time—operatives will receive guaranteed weekly wage rates.

This is the first time that the order has been invoked in a "concentrated" industry. It does not apply to the manufacturing section of the trade.

For some months labour shortage in the spinning mills has been increasing owing to operatives being called up for military service or leaving for munitions factories.

Wheat For India

BOMBAY, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government of India are considering the reduction of import duty on wheat at the earliest possible moment.

Exchange At A Glance**SELLING**

T.T. London	1/2%
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T.T. Shanghai	400
T.T. Singapore	52%
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82%
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40%
T.T. Batavia	40%
T.T. Hongkong	148
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	107
T.T. Switzerland	1/2%
T.T. Australia	1/2%

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25%
4 m/s India	84%
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

Sympathy For Swiss Shown By Britain**But Precautions Taken**

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It is officially stated in London that "in view of the commercial agreement recently signed between Switzerland and Germany, the British Government are no longer able to continue the limited facilities hitherto accorded for passage through the blockade and across enemy territory of materials for Swiss industry."

"The Government, however, appreciate the difficulties of Switzerland's position and will continue to give facilities within reasonable limits for import into Switzerland of foodstuffs and, fodder and of certain other goods exclusively destined for domestic consumption."

Official quarters declared that the move was not an act of retaliation but simply recognition of the state of affairs which exists through no fault of the Swiss or of Britain.

It is believed that the Swiss understand the position.

Major Baseball**Brooklyn Dodgers Win Again**

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (UP).—Brooklyn Dodgers maintained their lead over St Louis Cardinals in the National Baseball League to-day, inflicting a 4-2 defeat on Boston Braves, while the Cardinals beat Pittsburgh Pirates 4-0.

Scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE		
St Louis	4	11
Battery—Gumbert; Mancuso,	12	0
Pittsburgh	0	1
Battery—Lanning; Sewell; Lopez;	10	2
Battery—Higbe; Casey; Owen; Franks;	5	1
Battery—Tucker; Himes; Masi;	0	2
Chicago	4	0
Battery—Lanfranconi; Kush; Volson;	2	0
Schelling; Clegg; Johnson;	4	0
Battery—Walters; Lombard;	1	0
New York	4	10
Battery—Schumacher; Odea;	1	7
Pittsburgh	1	0
Battery—Johnson; Grissom; F. Melton;	2	10
New York	2	0
Battery—Suzett; Hartnett;	0	2
Philadelphia	1	0
Battery—Lambert; Beck; Livingston;	1	0
Warren	0	1

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia	2	1
Baltimore—Marchildon; Shirley;	1	0
New York	13	0
Battery—Donald; Silvestri;	0	1
Detroit	1	10
Battery—Newman; Sullivan;	3	0
S. Louis	0	1
Battery—R. Harris; Ferrell;	7	0
Boston	7	0
Battery—Wagner; Peacock;	2	1
Washington	3	4
Battery—Leonard; Anderson;	1	1
Evans	0	1
Battery—H. Newsome; Hytak;	5	11
Washington	4	11
Battery—Mulligan; Evans; Bolton;	0	2

Golf**HOGAN AND DEMARET DEFEATED IN CHALLENGE MATCH**

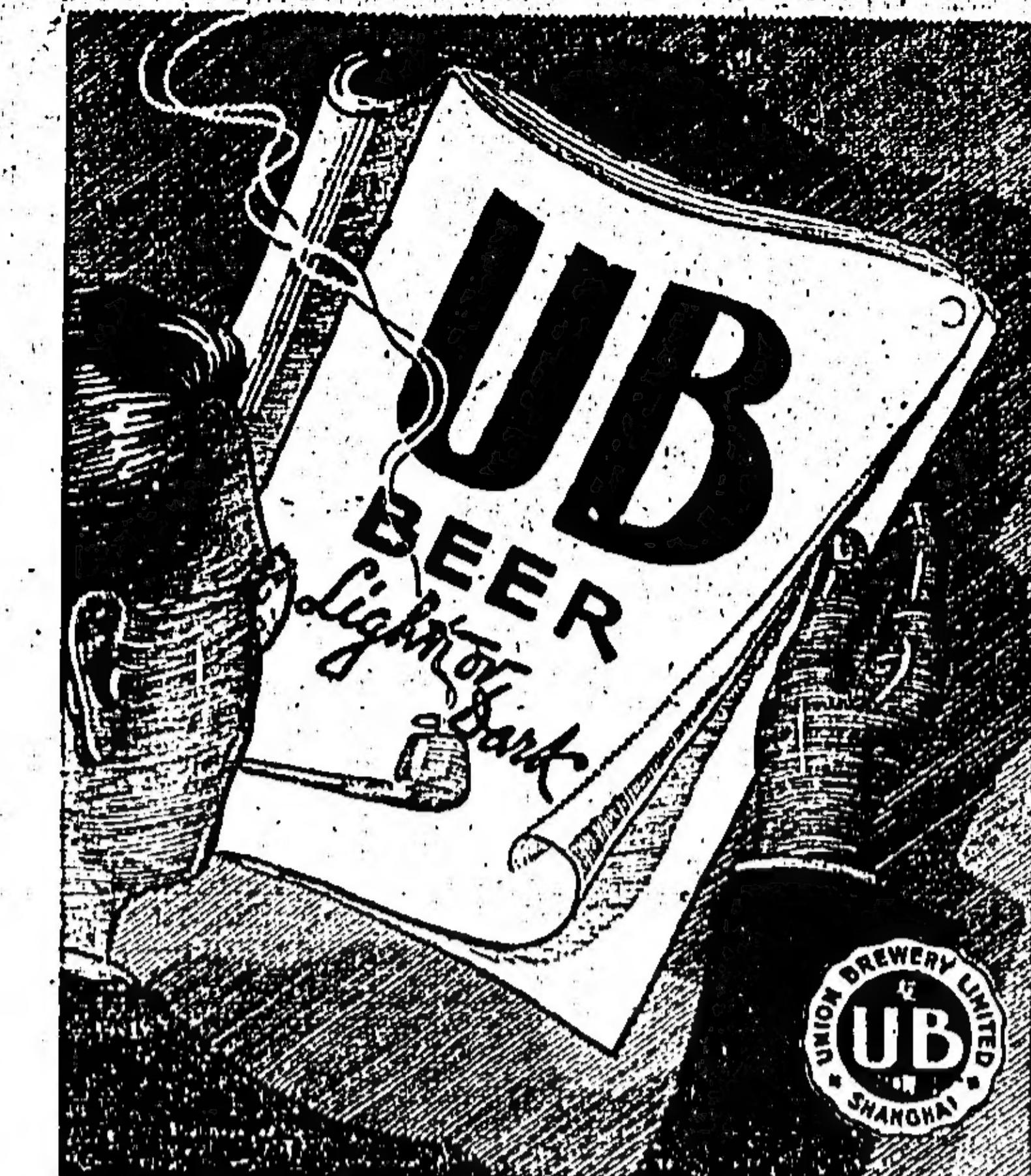
DETROIT, Sept. 24 (UP).—Par-shattering golf failed to save Ben Hogan and Jimmy Demaret from dropping \$2,000 to Byron Nelson and Craig Wood in a "world championship" 36 holes best ball golf match to-day. Nelson and Wood won 5 and 4.

Proceeds from the game were devoted to the China Relief Fund.

Hogan and Demaret commenced the second day's play 5 down after the first 18 holes, but cut down that margin to 3 down on the first nine, but they were out of the running when Wood sank an approach for a birdie 2 on the 160-yard 13th, and match ended with a pad four on the 14th.

The T.U.C. representatives will be Mr Frank Wolstenholme, Chairman of the T.U.C.; Sir Walter Citrine (General Secretary); Mr P. Allen, Mr A. Conley and Mr H. N. Harrison.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Sir Dadiba Mervjee Dalal, former High Commissioner for India in London, left estate in England valued at £5,000.



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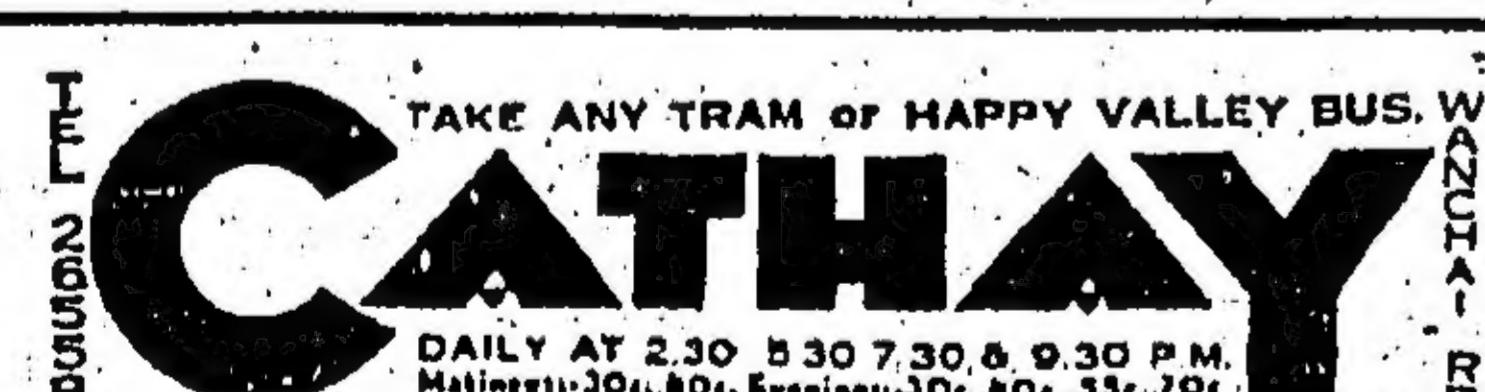
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TO-DAY'S ARP INQUIRY

(Continued from Page 4.)

that arrangement, are you?—No, I am not.

Why do you go on working for Kin Lee, then?—About ten days ago I threatened to stop work if payment was not forthcoming. Then Mr. Bishop, one of the engineers, came to the site and said that there was nothing to be afraid of that payment would not be forthcoming and told us to carry on.

Did Mr. Bishop also tell you they had already paid Kin Lee for the work?—No.

Some Advice

I will give you some advice. If Kin Lee is ever two weeks in arrears of payment, stop work, don't go on with it; and take a writ out against him at once, sue him... I will do that.

Another piece of advice. Tell Kin Lee to-day that unless he pays you \$10,000 at once you will sue him... I have always said that.

But you have never done anything, have you?—But there is a Government official mediating in this matter. What is the name of this mediator?—Mr. Bishop. It was only on account of his good advice to Kin Lee that they paid me \$5,000.

Court Mediation

So Mr. Bishop mediates between Kin Lee and you on the money owing to you?—Yes.

I understand he has such influence over Kwong Wing that he can make him pay you \$5,000?—Because the Government paid him money.

Government paid Kin Lee?—Yes.

And it was through Mr. Bishop's intervention that Kwong Wing paid you \$5,000?—Yes.

You tell Kwong Wing and Kin Lee you do not want Mr. Bishop to intervene or mediate with you anymore. You will sue them—I cannot take legal proceedings unless Government will be good enough to send a man round and accompany Kwong Wing and measure up the work to that I know where I am.

Work Not Measured

Have you not measured up the work yet?—No.

How much is left to be done?—The whole work must be measured out again so that I can arrive at a figure.

Figure with whom?—I don't mind if Kin Lee will go with George Tsang to measure up. I would take Kin Lee's word for that.

I understand from the foremen who gave evidence this morning that the work is measured out every day. It is impossible to arrive at an exact figure because the work is carried out day after day so the measurement was only done after the day's work.

If the Government foremen are correct, your work last night has already been measured this morning?—Our work is not measured in this manner. Perhaps the work done by the man who made holes for blasting was measured.

Not your work, the lining of tunnels?—Not my work.

Books Requested

The Chairman then requested Witness to bring the book in which he said he kept a record regarding the A.R.P. work, showing the capital with which he started, the amount of money he had received up to date from Kwong Wing and the balance he had worked out as his profit up to date. Witness was also requested to bring along his Bank of East Asia Pass Book.

Mr. Blake intervened to say that the Bank did not have pass books, only monthly statements.

The Chairman accordingly instructed Witness to bring along these statements.

Noticing that Witness appeared to be vastly amused, the Chairman asked what there was that was so amusing. Witness replied that he was wondering whether he could obtain those statements, so he could not help laughing.

The Chairman: It is not a joke, but a very serious matter. We want to see all your monthly statements from the Bank from the time you started on A.R.P. Work. Bring them here to-morrow morning at 10.30.

The Inquiry was then adjourned to 3 p.m. to-day.

STOCK EXCHANGE Markets Mostly Firm

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange continued to be cheerful to-day with markets again mostly firm. Fair investment inquiry was evident but the shortage of stocks restricted business.

Gilt-edged securities and Indian loans gained further ground while breweries and heavy industry stocks were good features among the industries. American issues in oils were also good.

Argentina rails improved on local political development but Brazilian bonds reflected disappointment in connection with the coffee loan redemption of tender acceptances.

Kaffirs were speculative and responded well to Cape demand.

Wall Street was firm.

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The Hon. Mr. Pearce subsequently withdrew his amendment after the Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster) had stated that the Governor-in-Council could not accept it but gave the assurance that should there be a change of circumstances which in the opinion of the Jockey Club, warranted an application for a review of the tax, that application would be considered.

The Bill was read a third time and passed, without any amendment.

Amendment Withdrawn

The Hon. Mr. Pearce subsequently withdrew his amendment after the Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster) had stated that the Governor-in-Council could not accept it but gave the assurance that should there be a change of circumstances which in the opinion of the Jockey Club, warranted an application for a review of the tax, that application would be considered.

Mediation Bears Fruit

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's statement yesterday that merchantmen tied up in ports by labour disputes "have got to move" is apparently bearing fruit.

The Seafarers' International Union called membership meetings this morning to discuss the release of 25 tied-up vessels in the words of the Union leader, Mr. John Hawk, was "the sensible thing to do."

Mr. Hawk advised putting men back on board the ships, releasing the vessels and then "letting the Mediation Board handle the disputes."

Sailors of the Union of the Pacific which had tied up three vessels in the New York harbour, announced that their membership had voted on release of the vessels at 5 p.m. G.M.T.

EVENING INSTITUTE

The prospectus of the Hongkong Evening Institute has been issued for the session October to June. The first term is from October to January next, and the second term from March to June.

LATE NEWS

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Betting Tax Bill Discussed

An amendment that a definite date be given for the termination of the proposed increase was made by the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce at the Legislative Council this afternoon, when a Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931, as amended by the Betting Duty Amendment Ordinance, 1940, was put up for its final reading.

The Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce said: With your permission, Sir, I should like to make a few observations, and to move an amendment.

The Honourable The Colonial Secretary will confirm that during the discussions which led to the acceptance of the Stewards' recommendations in fixing the increase at 2 per cent, the only motive in view

was to avoid doing anything which might kill the "goose that lays the golden egg."

The phrase in Clause 1 of the "Objects and Reasons", "for the time being at any rate," is elastic, and I am glad to have assurance this increase will be promptly amended if it is found to have any detrimental effect on turnover.

Based on the figures disclosed in the Jockey Club's Accounts for the year ending March 31, 1941, the proposed increase will produce an additional \$150,000 in one year, from that Club alone. For that same period the Jockey Club actually paid Government \$492,000 in Rates, Betting Tax and War Taxation, so with this additional \$150,000 a sum approximating no less than \$650,000 will be paid to Government which, may I add, costs nothing in its collection.

Darlan and Japanese SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, Sept. 24 (UP).—Admiral Darlan this morning received the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Sotomatsu Kato, to discuss practical details in application to the recent Franco-Japanese accord.

Both conversations mark a sudden

revival of political activity which has been very quiet since late July, following the Bizerte affair.

Neutral Act May Soon Be Amended

LIBERAL DONATIONS

I believe it is hardly necessary for me to remind Members of this Council that in addition to this Government taxation, the Jockey Club has voluntarily contributed to British and Chinese War Funds and Charities in a very liberal manner.

The amount so contributed during the last 24 months totals \$571,724, whilst local Charities have also contributed to a very much larger extent than in former years.

In his letter of July 15, the Honourable The Colonial Secretary, when first bringing the matter before the Jockey Club, clearly indicated the increased income to be produced by the extra taxation would be diverted to the war effort, and under date July 28, I replied, "I should be glad if your extra tax is a war measure only and will be removed immediately peace is re-established."

I have been under the impression

that this condition had been accepted by Government, together with the other recommendations made in that letter.

I was therefore extremely dis-

appointed to receive a communication from The Honourable The Colonial Secretary, dated September 16 reading:

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